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Greg Hugunin

of the BART path crimes involve robbery and assault.

## String of BART path crimes sudsides

By Greg Hugunin

EL CERRITO — A recent string of robberies and assaults on the BART path, many committed by juveniles in broad daylight, has abated according to police reports.

Between Oct. 14 and Dec. 11, 1995, 15 separate incidents were reported on the BART path, also known as the Ohlone Greenway, including beatings, sexual grabbings and two gunpoint robberies. Police said several suspects were arrested in connection with the incidents, although many remain unsolved.

Jay Clark, commander of investigations for the El Cerrito Police Department, said that although there were a larger-than-normal number of crimes committed on the BART path during the two-month stretch, they are not indicative of any upswing in criminal activity in El Cerrito.

Clark said that overall the number of crimes committed in El Cerrito has not gone up by any significant degree, although in recent years the number of crimes committed by juveniles, especially violent ones, has.

Victims of the crimes committed on the BART path during the two-month period include:

• An El Cerrito man who was attacked by six juveniles aged 10 to 17, who took his bike and wallet at gunpoint.

• An elderly couple who were asked for spare change by a man they encountered on the path at 4:15 p.m. on Oct. 23, then forced to turn over their money on threat of being shot.

• A 10-year-old El Cerrito boy who was surrounded by five juveniles at 5:46 p.m. on Oct. 26 and ordered to surrender his bike.

• A man walking with groceries on Nov. 15 at 8:30 p.m., who was surrounded by several suspects, knocked to the ground, beaten and robbed.

• A Richmond youth who was robbed by 11 suspects, aged 12 to 16, at 3:38 p.m. on Oct. 19.

Although the police department has made no special effort to combat the crimes, Police Chief Dan Givens said he is concerned. "Any time people are held up with weapons or strong-armed for their property, it's a priority," he said.

Givens suggested that people not use the path after dark if they can help it, because it gives those inclined to commit robberies all the more chance to do so.

Clark echoed Givens' warning about citizens making themselves vulnerable.

"Basically, the crimes committed are crimes of opportunity," he said. "When people minimize the opportunities, they are less likely to be victimized."

Citizens on the BART path last

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## C youth baseball ules changed

Dawn Frasleur

L CERRITO — New rules set oard members of El Cerrito th Baseball will make the nization's 9 and 10 year old layers just about the youngest e East Bay to play by "major ue" rules. ECYB coaches are g those who oppose the impo- of the rules at "Mustang" though it is sanctioned by the al P.O.N.Y. organization, of h El Cerrito is a member.

aches and board members dis- as to whether the change is for the kids — and whether it ven work. There's also some eement as to the why the e was made.

ching and stealing bases are at rux of the change in rules. now, Mustang players could egin their steal after the pitcher ound up and thrown the ball to at the catcher. Under the new the runner may "lead off" as jor league play. The pitcher then incorporate watching out e runner — and perhaps throwhe ball quickly to to get them — into a more complicated ng posture, "the stretch."

ould the pitcher at any time in his pitching motion while ing out for all the different bilities, he is penalized by the re. Opponents are concerned e stress on an unsophisticated r and catcher (including physiess on the pitcher) will make me less fun for everyone in-d.

No one is concerned about stress on the runners, since opponents expect them to have an extremely easy time of it.

"As it stands in the first few weeks of the Mustang season, the whole game is running," said Ron Greenstein, who expects to coach an older Bronco team with his son this year after serving two years as a Mustang coach. "It's really pretty boring for everyone.

"Mainly, (the leadoff) doesn't work when the baseline is only 60 feet," said Greenstein, who believes stealing with a leadoff will be far too easy.

Beyond that, he said, "pitchers are having a hard time just getting over the plate, and catchers are having a hard time learning to catch. (The new rules) are putting an extra burden on them; not only do they have to know how to put the ball over the plate, they're having to look around and deal with stealing, with pickoff plays, with balks."

Formerly, the stretch pitch and associated skills were taught at the Bronco level to 11 and 12 year olds. The younger Mustangs were concentrating on learning to pitch; at the youngest "Pinto" level, coaches pitch the balls.

The All-Star teams, on the other hand, composed of talented, handpicked players who participate in post-season, inter-city tournaments, do play by those major league rules.

Board president Alan Paolini said those are two completely separate activities with "two different philosophies.

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Elizabeth Heath was among seniors who gathered Monday to hear candidates' platforms. Noah Berger

## Bringing the race to Albany

### Assembly candidates speak to seniors

By Sharon J. Leach

ALBANY — Attendance was standing room only Monday when Assembly candidates for the 14th district spoke at Albany's Senior Center. More than 50 seniors turned out to hear what the five would-be successors to Tom Bates long-held seat in the state legislature had to say.

In this new era of term limits, the faces and names of most of these candidates were new to Albany citizens. The clear exception was Robert Cheasty, former Mayor of Albany.

The term limit issue was a recurring theme, which was addressed to greatest advantage by Dion Aroner, 20 year staff member for Tom Bates and Bates chosen sucessor. With all the experienced legislators forced to leave, she stressed her years doing legislative work as critical, needed know-how to fill the position.

What was familiar to the audience was the make-up of the panel. It was stacked with democrats and with democratic agendas — no suprise for this historically democratic district. The single exception was Republican candidate Sam Wallace who hails from Richmond.

#### Sam Wallace

First to arrive at the event and first to speak to the audience, Wallace framed his speech with a call for voters to look past party loyalties. "I'm not a Newt Gingrich republican," he said.

However, Wallace did echo much of the current Republican agenda calling for cuts in government spending. He stressed "downsizing" of state government in conjunction with greater local control over areas like education. He called for cuts in services, without specifying which services.

Wallace's ideas for education reform met with some resistance. He supported the idea of a voucher system for parents who wish to send their children to private schools. This didn't sit comfortably with Ray DeJong, a teacher and coach for a public school in San Francisco for 38 years. DeJong, an Albany Republican, challenged Wallace on the voucher issue, pointing out that private schools can be selective about students where public schools have to serve everyone.

Wallace's business resume is hefty. He worked as a marketing

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## lla Motel shuts down, te's future uncertain

reg Hugunin

BANY — It appears the last has checked out of the Villa and this time it's for good. e San Pablo Avenue motel, Albany police detective Bill hi describes as a place where ution flourished and "you get any quantity of controlled nce you wanted," closed its for good over the holidays, nths after its use permit was d by the City Council.

s a wonderful 1996 already," lbany Police Chief Larry , whose staff conducted sting ons against the motel in late nd early 1995 as part of the s of revoking its permit.

do called the motel a "breedunds of criminal activity," d that any use of the property "a vast improvement over e residents (around the mo- to suffer through."

nwhile, a proposal to build 10 unit affordable housing project in conjunction with a private development on the site of the motel has stalled.

Berkeley non-profit developer Resources for Community Development, which hopes to buy the property, tear down the existing structure and build two and three bedroom apartments for families earning between $25,000 and $32,000 a year, has run into snags on the project resulting from a lack of funds and too high a price tag on the motel.

RCD project manager Lisa Grady said that the motel's owner is asking in excess of $500,000 for the property. She said RCD wants to pay a "significantly lower" price for the land, and that it is ready to submit a revised offer.

Grady also said that RCD has been having problems obtaining the county funds necessary to buy the property, but that it still hopes to see the project through.

Part of the project will be paid for by private developer Laurie Capitelli, who plans to construct between four and six condominiums on the property priced at market value.

Regardless of the future of the site, most of the motel's neighbors were happy about its closure.

"It brought a bad element into the neighborhood," said Fern Rissman, a 40-year resident of Rains Avenue, which borders the motel property.

Rosalia Mariz, whose house faces the motel, said its close proximity made her feel unsafe. She said she once heard a woman being beaten at the motel, and that its

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The motel was shut down after its permit was revoked. Greg Hugunin

## Albany mayor wants Sierra Club out of suit

By Greg Hugunin

OAKLAND — Tempers are running high once again over Albany's Golden Gate Fields cardroom lawsuit.

The Executive Committee of the San Francisco Bay Chapter of the Sierra Club postponed discussion Monday night of a letter request by Albany Mayor Mike Brodsky that it adopt a position of non-involvement in the lawsuit.

The nine-member committee tabled discussion until its Feb. 12 meeting, citing a lack of time to contemplate the letter sent to members of the committee Sunday night.

"We tabled the issue because people didn't have adequate notice," said Jeff Colden, chair of the committee.

Brodsky's request refers to a resolution pasoed in June, 1995, by the committee authorizing its legal representative to file an advisory, friend of the court brief to augment the existing lawsuit against the proposed cardroom.

Although a brief was filed this summer, the judge in the case did not allow it to be entered. Another brief can be filed, however, if and when the case is appealed.

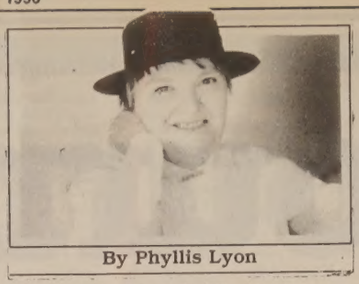
The lawsuit, filed on Feb. 1, 1995 by the nonprofit Albany group Citizens for Responsible Government, stems from the passage of Measure F by Albany voters in November, 1994 to allow British gaming giant Ladbroke Racing Inc. to construct a 150-table, 24-hour cardroom at the Golden Gate Fields racetrack on the Albany waterfront .

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# Might as well sit back and enjoy the spoils



By Phyllis Lyon

"OUR TOWN HAS NEW COMMITTEES to study glitzing up San Pablo Avenue, to study sprucing up Solano Avenue. There's no use to talk about preserving Albany's small town character while the city depends on the race track for its survival ... there must be a better way to run a town.

"Gambling gathers around itself the tacky and the tawdry. The sin is the egregious greed gambling fosters, the greed that makes us eager to shove individual responsibility for solving public problems off onto poor dreamers ..."

That was this space's preachy opinion on Oct. 12, 1989. Seven years later glitzing and sprucing plans are still on the drawing board and there's a new game in town.

THERE WAS AN ELEMENT OF SURPRISE in the cardroom's coming to Albany. While we were sleeping, a really-big international gambling establishment blew into town and offered us a Faustian bargain: our principles for really-big money. Well, the money may look really-big to us yokels, but I suspect it's a minor cost of doing business to Ladbroke.

The sell-out by city officials and their minions apparently posed no problem. They quickly put together some dire financial predictions, since modified, and sped the cardroom to the ballot with surprising alacrity. Whether or not there is a nexus between the amazing escalation of candidate campaign spending and the winners' support of the cardroom is still a mystery to many. If it has four legs and barks like a dog, I suppose it could be a dog.

The hitch was being required to sell a cardroom to pesky voters. So we were wooed and won with a mind-altering, money's-no-object, new-style, public relations campaign unseen in the annals of Albany history. Money for nothing beckoned and the deal was done.

AS THE CITIZENS' LAW SUIT delayed consummation of the deal in Albany and Ladbroke captured the spoils in San Pablo, I entertained the possibility for awhile that the scheme had unravelled. But with with the popularity of gambling as a source of government revenue on the rise and the readiness of California voters to approve on the decline, Ladbroke's ticket to ride in Albany must have become even more valuable.

Personally I am not optimistic about the success of the suit against the perpetrators by citizens who have refused to cave in. It appears to me that the shine has worn off such suits since the Sierra Club slapped Disney long ago. Observation tells me that you really can't fight city hall in court and win, especially if the voters have approved, unless your accusations are of out-and-out criminality. Support for their cause by cardroom owners outside of town — who say, surely ironically, that cardrooms are the devil's work — doesn't exactly inspire confidence in the citizens' idealism either. So Albany does have a cardroom in its future, I think, probably with fewer tables than the 150 bandied about during the campaign. Ladbroke is now saying "25 to 50," but not whether the same million- dollar deal with Albany will apply.

So what's wrong with that?

THE MAYOR AND I AGREE that the residents of Albany will continue to live out their same happy lives never noticing there's a cardroom in town. The city has become accustomed to depending more or less on gambling money since the race track opened in 1947. Few of us ever go there and, after seeing Ladbroke's Casino San Pablo, I doubt if any mentionable number of us will patronize a cardroom. We can merely collect the money and proceed in our same-old same-old oblivious ways.

Whether the carrot at the end of Ladbroke's stick, i.e., building a Bay Trail and otherwise prettifying up the Albany waterfront in exchange for a cardroom, will lure Albany families to stroll there as advertised remains to be seen. After years of talk about how to make I-80, the dividing wall between residential Albany and the race track, figuratively tumble down, the new plan might do it.

YES, VIRGINIA, there is a cardroom in Albany's future. Until the citizenry rises up en masse to throw it and the race track out of town, we may as well relax and enjoy it.




## Letters to the Editor

### Wants better tree care

Editor:

I'd like to respond to the article in the Dec. 28 *Journal* with Thelma Rubin showing the trees to be planted in Albany, 1,000 of them, in fact.

In August, 1995, I started calling the City and the school department about trees that have been unattended for way too long, I could not use the east side of the sidewalk from the mid 900 block on Hillside Ave. because the overgrowth had covered it.

The city said it was the school department's property, the school department, or at least the man I spoke to in the maintenance department, said they didn't have the money to take care of it and I should walk across the street. I didn't feel that was a satisfactory statement.

There is a staircase connecting Hillside and Jackson which has trees on each side which hang over the steps so therefore many, many needles get piled up on the steps and make it extremely hazardous.

I called the city again and, as before when I called, they were eager to get the problem solved and said they would see what could be done. They even suggested I talk to the fire department, which I did. Also helpful and willing to help. Though it wasn't a weed problem they said they would look into it.

In October I received a call saying the city had decided to take care of the problem when they could. I thanked the caller and have waited till now — Dec. 28, 1995.

I know weather can play a large part in care and repair but if you can recall we still hadn't had any rain, that didn't come till November.

So, I'd like to know why we will plant all these beautiful trees only to let them grow bountiful and then let them go unattended to make the sidewalks unusable. The mess in the gutters with the weeds that are 2 feet tall does not paint a pretty picture and hasn't added any beauty to my neighborhood.

Dorothy Caya
Albany

### Revealing facts

Editor:

Your Dec. 14 article on the lawsuit being pursued against Albany and its citizens, who with their votes approved Measure F, presented some disturbing facts.

The "CRG" and the "FAW," the two alphabet-soup groups who are supporting the litigation, are led by two people who just recently moved to town. They have called the vote of Albany citizens an "abortion" of democracy, have insisted that elected city officials should resign and, as one of their group wrote last month, believe that "Albany's city officials and staff should not be believed or trusted."

What is going on here?

Your December article casts some light on the real forces behind these groups.

While the CRG and the FAW claim that there is "no connection" between their activities, please watch the following shell game closely. The FAW receives $16,000 from the Oaks Club cardroom in Emeryville. The FAW pays $14,000 of this money to the San Francisco law firm of Shute, Mihaly and Weinberger to "monitor" CRG's lawsuit against Albany. CRG then admits it too has paid Shute, Mihaly and Weinberger "consulting fees" for help in killing the voter-approved cardroom at Golden Gate Fields, but has paid "only" $2,200.

Do the lawyers at Shute, Mihaly "forget" what they learn while "monitoring" the lawsuit for the Oaks Club cardroom when they "consult" with the CRG? Of course not! To say there is "no connection" between the CRG and the FAW is silly.

In reality, the FAW serves as a conduit for Emeryville money to serve the interests of those attempting to block a cardroom in Albany which would compete with the Oaks Club.

Meanwhile, the CRG and the FAW continue their theme of "don't trust any Albany city officials or staff."

Your December article reveals that the issue is deeper and explains why the CRG and the FAW have such contempt for Albany and its citizens.

Matthew Rinaldi
Albany


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## Police Reports

# Suspects arrested after stealing from occupied ho

By K. Osborn

ALBANY — On the night of Jan. 2 a 21-year-old El Cerrito man and a 17-year-old Richmond boy rang the door bell of a residence on the 1200 block of Garfield Street and demanded cassette tapes be returned to him which his ex-girlfriend, who lived at the house, had borrowed. The girl was not home but her two brothers, ages 13 and 15, were there alone. The younger brother told the two to wait on the porch and the door closed while he went to retrieve the tapes. When he returned he found the El Cerrito man in the house asking to use the phone. The boy allowed the phone call and then noticed the Richmond boy also in the house. When the two left the residence they appeared to have something concealed under their shirts. The Albany boys notified the police. Just before midnight Albany officers located the suspects on the 1200 block of San Pablo Avenue. They were stopped, identified, arrested and transported to the Albany station for booking. The stolen property was recovered. The El Cerrito man was transported to the Berkeley jail and the Richmond boy was taken to Juvenile Hall.

• On the night of Jan. 6 vandals smashed the rear passenger window of their white 1990 Toyota Corolla parked in front of the owner's house. Nothing was taken and there were no witnesses.

• On the afternoon of Jan. 2 a 14-year-old Albany boy reported that while riding his bike near Key Route Boulevard he encountered two boys who riding bikes along side of him for about three blocks. One of the boys reportedly demanded the Albany boy's bike and kicked at the bike. The Albany boy began to yell for help and the second boy said "never mind" and they both left the area. The boy who demanded the bike was described as Hispanic, 16-year-old, 5-feet, 6-inches to 5-feet, 10-inches tall, weighing 130 pounds, with black medium length hair, brown eyes and a moustache. The second boy was described as having medium length hair. The Albany boy reported seeing two Hispanic boys on the afternoon of Jan. 3 he thought may have been the ones who attacked him. Police are investigating.

• On the afternoon of Jan. 2 a 13-year-old Berkeley boy reported that, while riding his bike, he was stopped by two boys, one of which produced a folding pocket knife, demanded the boy give up his bike and his watch. They took the boy's blue Skyomish mountain bike and his Casio watch and departed the area. An Albany boy witnessed the altercation. The boy with the knife was described as a Hispanic male, 14-years-old, 5-feet, 5-inches tall, weighing 120 pounds, wearing a blue jacket, white T-shirt and black pants. His companion was described as a Hispanic male, 14-years-old, 5-feet,5-inches tall, 120 pounds, also wearing a white T-shirt and dark pants.

• Around midnight on Jan. 2 a resident on the 700 block of Solano Avenue reported seeing someone inside her car, parked in front of her home. When officers arrived the subject had departed. There was no sign of damage or forced entry but the contents of the glove compartment were strewn about and an ashtray had been removed from the holder. Because of the darkness the person in the car could not be described.

• Thieves stole the rear license plate from a 1989 Mazda which was parked on the 800 block of Solano Avenue between 2 a.m. and 1 p.m. on Jan. 2.

• At about 2 a.m. on Jan. 3 officers observed a car drive on San Pablo Avenue which over to the curb for no appa son and parked in front of a d The driver slumped over to the passenger seat. Upon in tion officers discovered the d be intoxicated. He was arres check revealed an outstand rant in the amount of $25,0 Solano County. He was tran to the Albany station for pro and held for Solano County t The passenger in the car w found to be too intoxicated to himself and was arrested t leased when sober.

• On the morning of Jan. 3 broke into a car parked on block of Pierce Street, prov interior, stole various items parted unseen.

• At about 5:30 a.m. on J Albany man was observed two shopping carts full of rec near Buchanan and Jackson He has been arrested for thi in the past and had an outs warrant from Albany. He rested.

• On the night of Jan. 5 Francisco men were contacte scavenging in dumpsters at business. One of the men app be under the influence of d was arrested when he failed tests. He was found to have and a switchblade knife and officers a false name. The co was found to be driving proper registration tags and w

• During the week of Ja bany officers fingerprint people at their request, tow cars, responded to 15 false assisted three people who we out of their house or car and m to three reports of barking

# Carjack victim forced to drive suspects, then robb

By Dawn Frasieur

EL CERRITO — A carjack was reported in the 1700 block of Eastshore Boulevard; the incident occurred at about 4 p.m. Dec. 10 when two male suspects simulated a gun, forced the El Cerrito victim into the vehicle, had him drive to Oakland and robbed him of cash and clothing.

The vehicle was recovered. Both suspects were male and were wearing green rain ponchos. Only one was described, as a black male of about 6-feet in height.

• An attempted carjack was reported in the Burger King lot. An Albany man is suspected of attempting to take a vehicle from two juvenile females, residents of San Pablo and Richmond. The girls are students at Pinole and El Cerrito high schools.

The incident occurred at 8:04 p.m. Dec. 23.

• A staff member at Ray's Christmas Trees was pistol whipped after two men confronted him demanding cash at 5:50 p.m. Dec. 18. The suspects are described as black males, about age 26, 5-feet, 6-inches tall, 150 or 160 pounds. Both were wearing dark clothes; one had on a Raiders jacket, the other a leather jacket.

• Car T was the scene of an armed robbery when a man entered the business, pointed a handgun at three staff members and demanded cash, then fled westbound on foot.

He is described as a black man in his 20s, about 5-feet, 10-inches tall, 170 pounds, wearing a dark green sweatshirt, black pants, a black knit ski mask and black gloves.

• A Lucky employee who saw a shoplifter at Safeway and told him to put the merchandise back reported that after he grabbed keys dropped by the suspect, he was grabbed by the suspect, who brandished a hypodermic needle.

The suspect is described as a black man, about 5-feet, 8-inches tall, 165 pounds, wearing a blue windbreaker and blue jeans; the incident occurred at 7:21 p.m. Dec. 20.

• An anti-Semitic hate note was left on a vehicle parked in the 500 block of Kearney Street on the evening of Dec. 24.

• An unknown man scammed two female juvenile victims out of cash on the evening of Dec. 31.

• A Richmond man is suspected of entering a locked vehicle, releasing the brake and causing the vehicle to roll into Cerrito Creek from the El Cerrito Plaza lot at about 11:20 a.m. Dec. 19.

• Someone ignited cardboard in a grease dumpster in the rear of the Target store at about 12:50 p.m. Dec. 25.

• A Richmond male juvenile was arrested for resisting arrest. The boy ran after being told to stop at South 52nd and Victor, Dec. 19 at 9:30 p.m. Another male suspect escaped.

• An El Cerrito woman reported being harassed by a man while walking in Cerrito Vista Park at about 5:30 a.m. Dec. 30.

• An attempted residential burglary was reported in the 5600 block of Poinsett. Someone tore two window screens, punctured a third and broke a window in an unsuccessful entry attempt during the daytime Dec. 22.

• Property was reported stolen from a home in the 1000 block of Arlington on the evening of Dec. 16; the burglar had broken rear door glass for entry.

• In acts of residential vandalism, Christmas lights were broken at a home in the 900 Shevlin at about 8 p.m. two El Cerrito juvenile fem suspected in the incident. dow was broken in the 33 of Carlson at about 9:43 p 31.

• A 1979 Nissan 810 w from a lot in the 11700 bloc Pablo Avenue at 8:41 p.m.

• A 1985 Chevy Cap taken from Honda of El Ce tween Dec. 27 and 28.

• Someone unsuccessf tempted to steal a 1994 Po tang from El Cerrito Plaz the daytime Dec. 15.

• Bikes were reported st an unlocked garage in block of Zara during the Dec. 21, the lot at El Cerr between 2:50 p.m. and 3 p 31, and a rack at the Plaz afternoon of Dec. 17.

• Property thefts from were reported in the 800 Kearney between 6 p.m. p.m. Dec. 22 (indash stere the 1500 block of Regency 12:30 p.m. Dec. 23 (saw taken from an unlocked tion trailer), the 1400 Devonshire at 12:01 a.m. (camera, sunglasses, jac 2000 block of Key Boul tween Dec. 10 and 11 (re plate), the Target lot on ing of Dec. 26 (cellular ph 2000 block of Key during of Dec. 30 (indash, c player), and the 1900 bloc tion Avenue between Dec 31 (miscellaneous items).

• Attempted auto b were reported in the 2500 Tamalpais on the afte

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# ity adopts pdated policies

Phyllis Lyon

ALBANY — Resolving that the "City of Albany professional organization which desires to oper- effectively and efficiently," the City Council ewed and approved an updated version of the 's policies and procedures at its Jan. 2 meeting. set of rules governing council and employee avior was last revised in 1992.

"The staff has done a great job putting it all ether," said Vice Mayor Robert Good who pre- ed over the meeting in the absence of Mayor Mike dsky.

The 127-page manual "updates some existing council policies and presents a series of new inistrative procedures that recognize a profes- al approach to management," according to Ann ma, Assistant to the City Administrator, who rsaw the revisions designed to create a "user- ndly document."

Fifty-seven separate items cover in detail a com- ensive range of instructions for conducting city ness including block parties, nepotism, check- ing, sidewalk maintenance, meeting protocol rules for handling the public.

ew policies on equal opportunity employment, of city cars, contributions and honoraria, cus- er service standards, driver licenses, handling hall visitors and other categories have been ed to the manual.

odes of ethics for councilmembers, as well as city employees and volunteers, have been added e written policies in separate sections of the ual. Councilmembers must now stand behind city's spokesperson, i.e., the mayor or city ad- istrator, bring ideas, feelings and attitudes up re meetings, show respect, be dedicated to non- sanship, build teamwork and consensus and brightly adhere to the Brown Act, among other es.

thical behavior for city employees and volun- includes in part having constructive, creative practical attitudes and high ideals, crediting the Council for the establishment of municipal icies, refraining from questionable political ac- y and seeking no favors.

he guidelines for city operation were reviewed legality and aptness by department heads, the attorney and the city administrator before ap- al by the council.

## Newsline

### Creek volunteers sought

ALBANY — Participants are being sought for a Codornices Creek Clean-Up and Discussion on Saturday, Jan. 20 from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.

The clean-up will include removal of debris which are preventing the normal flow of the creek. It is suggested that volunteers come prepared to get "wet and dirty." Please wear old clothes, long pants, gloves, and sturdy boots. If possible, bring tools such as rakes, nets, etc.

There will be food and prizes after the clean-up which is part of a project sponspored by Water Watch, AmeriCorps, Neighborhood Green Corps, CALPRIG, and the city of Albany project. For more information call 524-8280.

### AAUW luncheon meeting

Jennifer Woo, AAUW International Fellowship recipient, will speak at the joint luncheon of the Berkeley and Richmond-El Cerrito Branch meeting. Her topic will be immune deficiencies in juvenile cats and its relationship to children.

The meeting will be at the Northbrae Community Church, 941 The Alameda, Berkeley, Saturday, Jan. 13, 11:30 a.m. Call 526-1127 for reservation or membership information.

### City has recycling options

ALBANY — If you haven't done it yet, there is still time to recycle your Christmas tree at the curb through Jan.12.

Place your tree at the curb on your regular recycling day.No flocked trees, remove all tinsel, stands, and ornaments. If over 4 feet, trees must be cut.

For additional information, call Waste Management of Alameda County at 613-8710.

#### Recycling bags available

Bag it bags are now available and designate your garden trimmings to the Waste Management of Alameda for pick up and recycling.

The price for purchase is $45 for 20 bags, $22.50 for 10 bags and $11.25 for five bags, available at Albany City Hall, Finance Department, 1000 San Pablo Ave. between Monday, 8:30 a.m. to 7 p.m. and Tuesday through Friday from 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m.

### New gallery show

EL CERRITO — ECAA Gallery's holiday show ends Jan. 18. A new show offers paintings in all media by member artists Jan. 19 through Feb. 16, in the main hall. Additional paintings featuring a Rune interpretation by Barbara Brendlinger, noted Bay Area artist and teacher, on exhibit in the Council Chambers at the El Cerrito Community Center, 7007 Moeser Lane, El Cerrito; phone 525-7711.

### Council action

ALBANY — The City Council took action at the Jan. 2 meeting on a number of matters, including:

• Approved Councilmember Elizabeth Baker's appointment of Phil Wheeler to the Planning and Zoning Commission.

• Approved Mayor Mike Brodsky's appointment of Albany Library Manager Ronnie Davis to the Youth Task Force.

• Approved the appointment of Raymond Barker as Maintenance and Engineering Manager in the Community Development and Environmental Resources Department.

• Approved sale of the site of the old corporation yard on San Gabriel to the school district for $234,700.

• Ratified payment of bills, claims and demands against the city of $290,825.32 and a payroll of $266,528.58.

### King celebration planned

EL CERRITO — The city's celebration of Martin Luther King, Jr.'s 67th birthday will kick off Jan. 15 at 10 a.m.

A march will assemble at the Department of Motor Vehicles at Kearney and Manila streets. For information call Barbara Davis at 237-5749.

The event is the city's seventh annual celebration and is co-sponsored by the city's Human Relations Commission, St. Peter C.M.E Church and the El Cerrito branch of the NAACP.

### Picture book time

EL CERRITO — Picture Book Time for preschoolers of ages 3-5 will be offered on Thursday mornings at 11 a.m. at the El Cerrito Library from Jan. 18 to March 14. Registration is now underway. Picture Book Time features stories read aloud, songs and fingerplays. Parents are requested to remain in the library during the 30 minute sessions.

El Cerrito Branch of the Contra Costa Library is located at 6510 Stockton Ave. For information, call Agnes Chen, at 526-7512.

# Police seeking murder suspect

By Greg Hugunin

ALBANY — A 39-year-old man was shot to death on Wednesday, Jan. 3 at 5:19 p.m. while driving his truck and trailer on Washington Avenue between Cleveland Avenue and Pierce Street.

Police believe the shooting was the result of a dispute between the victim and another man earlier that day in a neighboring jurisdiction. A suspect has been identified, and as of Tuesday police were seeking to obtain a warrant for his arrest.

The only description of the suspect released by police Tuesday is that the suspect has a substantial criminal history.

Although the victim has been identified, police were withholding his name until his family could be notified.

Residents of the quiet, residential block on which the shooting occurred reported hearing a loud pop when the gun went off. There were no witnesses, although there were reports of a dark-colored car fleeing the scene.

The victim, a white male who police believe lived out of a trailer in Richmond, was shot through the chest by a handgun in the .38 calibur range as he drove his truck and trailer east along Washington Avenue. He was taken to Highland Hospital in Oakland, where he was pronounced dead at 5:57 p.m.

The bullet penetrated the victim's lung and aorta and exited through his back, police said.

The block on which the shooting occurred was cordoned off Wednesday night as police searched through the victim's truck and trailer. The victim's 5-month-old puppy was found inside the vehicle unharmed.

Many who work and live in Albany expressed shock that such a thing could happen in broad daylight in this quiet, middle class neighborhood at the base of the I-80 freeway.

"It's concerning to know that things are getting so out of hand," said Sharon Ledbetter, a Solano Avenue business owner.

Albany Police Chief Larry Murdo said that residents should not be overly alarmed because of the shooting. "This is not the kind of random, wanton crime where residents have to worry about walking down the street," said Murdo.

Albany normally averages one homocide per year. The last homocide occurred on July 23, 1995, when a 50-year-old transient, James McLean, was stabbed to death at a homeless encampment on the Southern Pacific railroad tracks 12 mile north of Gilman Street.

# New cemetery setback adopted by council

By Dawn Frasleur

EL CERRITO — The El Cerrito City Council has set a limit on how close to private residential property the Sunset View Cemetery can place a grave. At its Jan. 2 meeting, the council followed staff's recommendation that a 5-foot side setback minimum be established, with 8-feet being maintained as the average.

The 5-foot limit has been generally followed by the cemetery for years, with about 3,000 interments made between 1947 and 1975, following R-1 (single family residential) zoning guidelines. The 6.15 acre parcel lying within El Cerrito city limits was zoned R-1 in 1953.

The problem has been that the cemetery was changed from R-1 zoning in 1975 to Zone F, Open Space. Under that zoning, 50-foot front, rear and side setbacks should have been required; the City Council did not at that time think to amend the zoning for cemetery uses.

Such a distancing was not enforced by the city, and cemetery representatives said they had never been aware of the change.

The issue came to public attention last year when a neighboring resident, Margaret O'Connell, reported that the cemetery was constructing a grave within 15-inches of her property. She suggested a 10-foot setback as more appropriate.

Eventually, O'Connell instituted a lawsuit. The City Council was ordered by the judge in the case to make a legislative decision on the question by February. The O'Connell lawsuit itself was settled between the resident and the cemetery.

In November, council members heard testimony from neighbors particularly distressed by a cemetery plan to excavate a large area that would include 600 graves, using a different and more cost-effective method than the digging of individual graves.

At their Jan. 3 meeting, however, council members heard resi-

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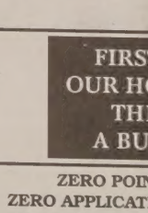


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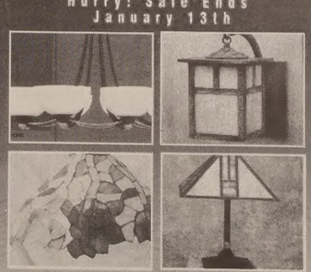
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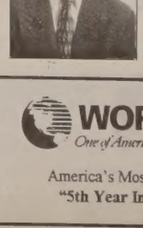
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## Performances

**Ashkenaz:** Jan. 11, 9 p.m.: Mudhut with Township Jive; Jan. 12, 9:30 p.m.: Jai Uttal & The Pagan Love Orchestra; Jan. 13, 11 p.m.: Spear with Mojo Madness at 9:30 p.m.; Jan. 14, 9 p.m.: Humbria with Salsa dance lesson at 8 p.m.; Jan. 16, 9 p.m.: Balkan Folkdance with dance lesson at 8 p.m.; Jan. 17, 9 p.m.: Gator Beat with Cajun dance lesson at 8 p.m.1317 San Pablo, Berkeley. 525-5054..

**Berkeley High Annual Dance Show:** Jan. 12, 13, 19, and 20, 8 p.m.: Members of the Dance Production class, intermediate and advanced dance classes, and Berkeley High's own Baile Folklorico, will perform. Florence Schwimley Little Theatre, Allston Way at Martin Luther King Jr. Way. 644-6052.

**Berkeley Repertory Theatre:** ***Changes of Heart*** by Pierre Carlet de Chamblain de Marivaux. 2025 Addison St. at Shattuck Ave., Berkeley. 845-4700.

**Chamber Music Extravaganza:** Jan. 12, 8 p.m.: Performances of Brahms, Rachmaninoff, Hindemith plus more in a benefit to repair the Berkeley City Club's Bechstein concert grand piano. Berkeley City Club, 2315 Durant Ave., Berkeley. 843-9930.

**Freight & Salvage:** Jan. 11, 8 p.m.: Livingston Taylor; Jan. 12, 8:30 p.m.: Ancient Future w/Liu Qi-Chao; Jan. 13, 8:30 p.m.: Friends of Steven Strauss; Jan. 14, 8 p.m.: Darol Anger & Friends; Jan. 16, 8 p.m.: Open Mike; Jan. 17, 8 p.m.: Platero and The Chanterelles.1111 Addison St., Berkeley. 548-1761.

**Guitar Duo:** Jan. 13, 8 p.m.: Cem Durouoz and Sharon Wayne will perform Danzas Espanolas Nos. 1, 2, and 5, Micropiezas, Bagatelles Nos. 1,4, and 5, and other works. Berkeley City Club, 2315 Durant Ave., Berkeley. 843-9930.

**Jupiter:** Jan. 11, 7 p.m.: that One Guy; Jan. 12, 8:30 p.m.: Josh Jones Latin Jazz Ensemble with Hiratos at 5:30 p.m.; Jan. 13, 8:30 p.m.: Ben Rodefer Quartet. 2181 Shattuck Ave., Berkeley. THE-TAPS.

**Kimball's East:** Jan. 11 - 14, 8 and 10 p.m.: Tito Puente Latin Jazz Ensemble; Jan. 17 - 21, 8 & 10 p.m.: Gerald Albright. 5800 Shellmound St., Emeryville, Ca 94608.

**La Peña Cultural Center:** Jan. 13, 10:30 a.m.: Half 'n Half presents kid's stories and songs in American Sign Language.3105 Shattuck Ave. 849-2568, ext.15.

**Maybeck Recital Hall:** Jan. 13, 8 p.m.: Claudia Villela and Weber Drummond, piano, will perform the "Jazz of Brazil".1537 Euclid Ave., Berkeley. 848-3228.

**Musical Salute:** Jan. 14, 3 p.m.:MusicSources presents a salute to Laurette Goldberg, the "mother-hen" of early music in the Bay Area. Northbrae Community Church, 941 The Alameda, Berkeley.

**Mozart:** Jan. 14, 5 p.m.: Dramma Per Musica presents Mozart's ***Il Re Pastore,*** one of the artist's most vocally demanding operas, requiring three highly skill coloratura sopranos. St. John's Presbyterian Church Center, 2727 College Ave., Berkeley. 234-9616.

**Recital:** Jan. 14, 5:30 p.m.: Organist Robert Bates will play a recital featuring Toccata in D Minor by J.S. Bach and other works. St. Mark's Episcopal Church, 2300 Bancroft Way, Berkeley. 848-5107.

**San Francisco Early Music Society:** Jan. 13, 8 p.m.: A Music's Re-Creation with Louise Carslake, baroque flute; Carla Moore, baroque violin; John Dornenburg, viola da gamba; and Byron Schenkman, harpsichord; with guest artist Derek Lee Ragin, countertenor. St. John's Presbyterian Church, Berkeley.

**Starry Plough:** Jan. 11, 9:30 p.m.: A Great Laugh with The Cherry Electric; Jan. 12, 9:45 p.m.: Eskimo with Littly My; Jan. 13, 9:45 p.m.: Guano with Schlong; Jan. 14, 8:30 p.m.: Electric Blues Jam Session; Jan. 15, 9 p.m.: Traditional Irish Music with Irish Dance Lessons at 7 p.m.: Jan. 16, 7:30 sign up: Cabaret Open Mike; Jan. 17, Darts. 3101 Shattuck Ave., Berkeley. 841-2082.

**Sundays with Seth:** Jan. 14, 1 p.m.: Seth Montfort will perform Ragtime-inspired works by Scott Joplin, Claude Debussy, George Gershwin, and his own works in a 40-minute concert. Giorgi Gallery, 2911 Claremont Ave., Berkeley. (415) 731-3355.

**Yoshi's:** Jan. 11 - 14, 8 and 10 p.m.: McCoy Tyner Quartet featuring Michael Brecker; Jan. 15, 2 sets from 8 p.m.: Dan Zinn Band; Jan. 16 - 21, 8 and 10 p.m.: McCoy's Afro-Cuban All-Stars. 6030 Claremont Ave., Oakland. 652-9200.

## Religious activities

**Berkeley Fellowship of Unitarian Universalists:** Third Annual Racial-Economic Justice Weeken Jan. 12 - 14; Jan. 12, 7:30 p.m.: Video ***Color of Fear*** ; Jan. 13, 8:30 a.m.: Anti-racism workshop. Please pre-register by calling Sandy at 236-5083. Jan. 14, 10:30 a.m.: "Racial and Economic Justice" with Sandy decker and Guest Speaker from the Million Man March. Racial and economic justice cannot be separated since they both are about power. Also, songs from the Civil Rights Movement sung by Marianne Robinson. Children's progr- am for toddlers, child care; ages 3-12, class. For details call Sandy, 236-5071.1924 Cedar, Berkeley. 841-4824.

**Learning to Love God,** a study group for new Christians or non-Christian seekers, meets at 7 p.m. Sunday evenings at Trinity Evangelical Free Church, 7200 Schmidt Lane, El Cerrito. 524-6820.

**Presbyterian Women in St. John's Presbyterian Church:** "Travel in Australia" will be presented with slides, music, and narration by Kathy Pratt and Bernice Griffin. 2727 College Ave., Berkeley. 527-3052 or 848-1350.

**St. Alban's Episcopal Church:** Jan. 14, 8 and 10 a.m.: Pastor Jim Stickney will preach "What are you looking for?" from John 1:38. 1501 Washington Ave., Albany. 525-1716.

**The 5:45:** Evening worship service with contemporary Christian praise music, conversation and refreshment. Every Sunday at First Presbyterian Church of Berkeley, 2407 Dana St., Berkeley. 848-6252.

## Events, meetings, classes...

**Albany Adult School:** Jan. 11, 6:30: Learn to cook good dinner soups. Tuition $17; Jan. 13, 10 a.m.: Learn the basics of slicing, dicing, chopping, stir frying, pan and quick deep frying, and many other Chinese cooking techniques. Tuition $20;

**Albany Pool:** Adult fitness classes, water adjustment courses for parents and their tots, synchronized swimming, and more. Contact the pool at 559-6640 for exact times and fee information.

**Alliance Francaise:** Jan. 16: Classes begin for adults with all levels of instruction available in small class settings with native-born teachers. Classes are available during days and evenings. 548-1520.

**Art Chat:** Mondays at 10 a.m.: Local artists meet bimonthly at the Art Cafe. Peppermint Tree Plaza, 10174 San Pablo Ave., El Cerrito.

**Audition Notice:** Jan. 14, 1 - 4 p.m. and Jan. 15, 7 - 9 p.m.:All male and female roles open for ***Cabaret.*** Read from script and bring music for one song and be prepared to dance. Bring tap shoes if you have them. Contra Costa Civic Theatre, 951 Pomona Ave., El Cerrito.. 524-6654.

**Berkeley Hiking Club:** Jan. 14, 8:30 a.m. departure: Mount Tamalpais. Call leader George Mouton (525-3979) for details; Jan. 14, 10 a.m. departure: Mini Hike - Walnut Creek. Call leaders Ericka Pillars (942-3095) and Joe Goldstein (934-0458) for details.

**Black Oak Books:** Jan. 11, 7:30 p.m.: Ferrol Sams looks at the intersection of disparate lives in ***Epiphany*** ; Jan. 12, 7:30 p.m.: Victor and Mary Lau Valle share family stories and memories of food in ***Recipe of Memory: Five Generations of Mexican Cuisine*** ; Jan. 14, 7:30 p.m.: David Sundelson discusses ***The New Informants: The Betrayal of Confidentiality in Psychoanalysis and Psychotherapy*** ; Jan. 15, 7:30 p.m.: Mark Merlis examines 50 years of gay life in ***America in American Studies*** ; Jan. 17, 7:30 p.m.: Charles Wollenberg looks wartime Bay Area in ***Photographing the Second Gold Rush: dorothea Lange and the Bay Area at War 1941 - 1945*** .1491 Shattuck Ave. at Vine, Berkeley. 486-0698.

**Candidate Debate and Straw Vote:** Jan. 14, 2 p.m.: Candidates for State Senate, 9th District, and the State Assembly, 14th district, will attend a candidates forum and straw vote, sponsored by The Berkeley Progressive Forum, a recently established political newsletter. North Berkeley Senior Center, Corner of Hearst and MLK. 549-2467 or 549-0723.

**City Commons Club:** Jan. 12, 12:30 p.m.: Shirley Dean, Mayor, City of Berkeley will give a talk entitled "Berkeley: Report for 1995 and Projection for the Future." 2315 Durant Ave., Berkeley.

**Exploring Creativity:** Through Feb. 28: Rediscover your natural creativity and express yourself through art in a spirit of play. Call to register. Albany Adult School, 559-6580.

**Family Life Hotline:** Wednesdays on KPFA 94.1 fm: Sponsored by Jewish Family and Children's Services of the East Bay with co-hosts Ruth Fremes, MA, and William French, LCSW of West Oakland Mental Health.

**Gaia:** Jan. 11, 7:30 p.m.: The mother of herbalism, Susun Weed, will host a conversation and discuss her book ***Wise Woman Herbal*** ; Jan. 13, 2 p.m.: Gaian new year celebration with author signings, free food, free books, and music; Jan. 16, 7:30 p.m.: Judith Lasater explores the need for daily rest with ***Relax and Renew: Restful Yoga For Stressful Times*** .1400 Shattuck Ave., Berkeley. 548-4178 or 548-4172.

**Great War Society:** Jan. 13, 10:30 a.m.: The East Bay Chapter of the Great War Society (1914 - 1918) will hold its January meeting and the topics to be discussed are: "The Last 5 days of Sidney Riley, ace of spies" and "Important books of WWI." 527-7118.

**Herbs and Bugs:** January 14, 2 p.m.: The Hopper Commons Association is sponsoring a free workshop on Helpful Herbs and Bugs for House and Garden. Karl Linn Community Garden, Corner of Hopkins and Peralta Streets, North Berkeley. 848-6397.

**Jitterbug Club:** Second Saturday of month.:The Northern California Lindy Society supporting the flourishing of the Lindy (original swing dance).: 486-0202.

**Humanistic Judaism:** Albany Community Center, 1249 Marin Ave., Albany. 283-3554.

**North Berkeley Senior Center:** Jan. 11, 1 p.m.: Video movie ***Prisoner of Honor*** ; Jan. 12, 10:30 a.m.: Talk on Osteoporosis with Lisa Wilson; Jan. 12, 1:15 p.m.: Martin Luther King Jr. Celebration with music and refreshments. 1901 Hearst/MLK Jr. Way. 644-6107.

**Original Swing:** Jan. 13, 8:30 p.m.: Lindy-Jitterbug Dancelessons at 7:30 p.m. Candelight Ballroom, 813 San Pablo Ave., Albany. 452-2008.

**Philately Meeting:** For stamp collectors; first and third Thursdays of the month, 7:30 p.m.; Northbrae Community Church, 941 The Alameda, Berkeley. 526-5397 or 655-7827.

**Stained Glass Class:** Jan. 11 or Jan. 13: A five-week class designed for those with little or no experience working with glass. 1800 Fourth St., Berkeley. 841-2200.

**Cody's:** Jan. 11, 7:30 p.m.: Dianne Tittle de Laet and father Y.A. Tittle will talk about father and daughter relationships and football in ***Giants & Heroes;*** Jan. 16, 7:30 p.m.: April Sinclair. 2454 Telegraph Ave., Berkeley; 845-7852.

**Homework Helper:** Every Wednesday from 3 -5 p.m.: Berkeley Public Library's south Branch offers a free Homework Assistance Center for all kids in grades 4-12. 1901 Russell, Berkeley. 644-6860.

**Marquetry Class:** For beginners; every Tuesday 10 - noon at the Berkeley Adult School. Open to anyone 50 or older; for more info visit St. John's Senior Center, 2727 College Ave and Garber St., Berkeley.

**M.C. Newburn/Books:** Jan. 17, 7 p.m.: Milton Wolff will read and discuss ***The Last Bell of the Lincoln Brigade*** .950 San Pablo Ave., Albany,.

**PFA:** Jan. 11, 7 p.m.: ***Four Hours to Kill*** and ***The Last Flight*** at 8:30 p.m.; Jan. 12, 7:30 p.m.: ***Maskerade*** and ***Confession*** at 9:05 p.m.; Jan. 13, 6:30 p.m.: ***Zoo in Budapest*** and ***Brief Ecstasy*** with ***Hoopla!*** at 8:10 p.m.; Jan. 14, 3:30 p.m.: ***Peter Pan*** with ***Beggars of Life*** at 5:30 p.m. and ***The Lost People*** at 7:10 p.m.: Jan. 16, 7:30 p.m.: Safeguarding Cultural Memory: Independent Film Preservation with films by Bruce Baillie, Gunvor Nelson, and John R. McDermott; Jan. 17, 3 p.m.: The Language of Cinema: An illustrated Lecture by Marilyn Fabe. U.C. Berkeley

**REI:** Jan. 11, 7 p.m.: Steve Tabor of the desert conservation organization Desert Survivors will give a slide show sampler of classic day hikes in California deserts.1338 San Pablo Ave., Berkeley. 527-4140.

**African-American Book Club:** Meets last Thursday of each month.: South Berkeley Branch Library, 1901 Russell, Berkeley.: 415-773-9558.

**Twilight Storytime:** Through Mar. 13, Wed. evenings at 7 p.m.: A series of ten programs for ages 3 - 6. Albany Library, 526-3720. Free.

**YWCA - University:** Jan. 16, Noon: A career as an environmental engineer will be the subject of a lecture/discussion with guest speaker Christine Lew, Tetra Tech Inc. 2600 Bancroft Way, Berkeley. 848-6370.

## Exhibits

**Magnes Museum:** Jan. 13 - April, 1996: The Italian Jewish Heritage featuring five centuries of ceremonial objects and textiles, Hebrew manuscripts, and printed books. 2911 Russell St., Berkeley. 549-6950.**Albany Arts Gallery:** Through Jan. 12: Art glass lighting amd water sculpture by Granville Latham, fused glass lattices and lampwound glass bead jewelry by April Zilber. 1251 Solano Ave., Albany. 526-9558.

**New Pieces:** "The Fabric Makes the Quilt," an exhibit of quilts curated by noted quiltmaker/teacher/author Roberta Horton of Berkeley. Through Feb. 1. Opening reception Friday, Jan. 5, 7:30 p.m. 1597 Solano Ave., Berkeley.

## Support groups, self-help

**Alzheimer's:** and related disorders Monday Enrichment Program sponsored by the Claremont Center: music and fellowship; St. John's Center; 2727 College Ave., B For info: 444-0243.

**Avatar Toastmasters:** public speaking skills metaphysically-oriented spir Hillegass/Dwight, Berkeley.

**Cancer Support Group:** E Friday, 9:30 a.m.: Free session Feldman, M.A., M.S., R.N.

**Conscious Connections:** singles who value personal and growth. Second and fourth Sun p.m. 6333 Telegraph, Berke 2605.

**Emotions Anonymous:** p.m.: Northbrae Community Ch The Alameda (Near Solano), 655-7917.

**East Bay Leads Club:** We 7:45 a.m.: Leads Club is th leads generating organizatio world. Open to women business sales people, manage professionals seeking to begin a business. Jack's Restaur London Square, Oakland. 60

**Menopause Group:** Inform suppport for women inte alternative treatment for the of Menopause. Evening and forming. Information and call Marlene Smith, L.Ac., Soul. 848-6004.

**Solo Sierrans:** The San Bay Chapter of the Sierra singles, over 40, offering fun, and an opportunity to partic variety of outdoor, social activities.; 652-4928.

**Stroke Awareness Suppo** Wednesdays, Noon. Alba Center, 846 Masonic Ave., Al 9502.

**Turning Point Career** Support group for job seekers changers; self-assessment direction program ($110 non includes two hours of indivi counseling; 2600 Bancroft, 848-6370.

**Overeaters Anonym** special support meetings to h through the holidays without or binging on Christmas Da Year's Day, both 10-12 Bates Hospital Auditorium a Ashby in Berkeley. There are fees and all are welcome. meetings every Saturday, Newcomers meet at 8 a.m.: Presbyterian Church, 2727 Co Room 203, 2nd floor, Berk 9292 or 841-8562.

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## Improved response

Albany Police Communications Clerk Martha King presides over the new and improved 911 response system recently installed at the police station. The upgrade is the first renovation implementing recommendations made by the Ralph Anderson Co. in an analysis of police department opertions commissioned by the City Council.

# City seeks grant for EC Plaza

**By Dawn Frasleur**

EL CERRITO — City staff has filed an application with the Metropolitan Transportation for $205,000 in Federal "Transportation Enhancement Activities" funds. According to community development manager Gerry Raycraft, it was MTC staff that encouraged the city to apply for the funding, after resident Steve Price of Sustainable El Cerrito sent a letter outlining the city's objectives and efforts to create a "transit village" in the area of El Cerrito Plaza.

In voting in support of the application at the City Council's Jan. 3 meeting, Councilmember Norma Jellison extended the council's appreciation to Price.

"It was at his enthusiasm that we put this proposal together," she said. "He was instrumental in helping staff.

"...It's important to go after these funds."

"If we get this, we'll have a good chunk of change to do some planning," added Councilmember Norman La Force.

Raycraft said he felt most helpful about receiving funding for the bicycle "garage" portion of the application. El Cerrito has requested $117,000 to provide a secure, roofed bike parking area on the Ohlone Greenway within view of the BART attendant's booth, thus increasing the use of bikes for access to BART.

Should the funding be approved, the city would need to match the grant with $29,000.

In the application, staff referred to Japanese studies which show a greatly increased bike ridership when secure bike storage facilities are installed.

The second funding request in the city's application asks for $88,000 to help develop a strategic plan for creating a transit village in the area of the Plaza and the BART station. MTC appears to have an interest in that project, according to Raycraft and city planner Ed Phillips, who had to put the application packet together under a short deadline, though it is not clear a strategic plan is eligible for Tranportation Enhancement Activities monies.

The strategic plan would include a variety of elements, including public process, market analysis and land use implementation strategies.

If the entire application was approved, the city would need to come up with a $41,000 match for both projects.

Phillips told the council staff hopes matching funds will come from contributions of the Plaza owners or "the Redevelopment Agency, maybe as a last resort."

In the application, staff refers to BART's joint development plans for the Plaza station, which "call for a development of approximately 180 housing units" with a 6,000 square foot retail component, on a portion of the station parking lot.

The application states that "the city hopes to lead a public-private effort to expand and upgrade the aging shopping center and design the mixed-use development and garage. The intention is to integrate the commercial area with the housing, transit and recreational functions, to create a true `Transit Village' which will become the new center of the El Cerrito community and surrounding areas.

"The overall Transit Village project would enhance the BART system, and interfacing surface transit, by concentrating an array of ridership-generating activities within 1/4 mile of the BART station. Activities would include new multi-family housing, expanded and rejuvenated retail facilities, employment opportunities and recreational facilities along the Ohlone Greenway and Cerrito Creek corridors."

The report also refers to Milton Bilak's plans "to expand with `pad' stores" and the extensive vacant space he owns in his portion (about half) of El Cerrito Plaza.

"For these reasons, the city needs to arm itself with strategies to take advantage of the evolving situation in the area, to steer events toward the Transit Village objective," the application reads.

Should the city decide to pursue a program of community planning

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## Albany PTA Council News

By Peggy Thow

### ooking back

Before diving into the new year, 's often a good idea to reflect on hat you've accomplished in the d one. I'd like to do that for the lbany PTA Council, as hard-work- g a group of volunteers as you'll nd in Albany (or anywhere, I sus- ct).

The Albany PTA Council grew is year from an informal band of erested parents to a working com- ittee of knowledgeable and re- onsive representatives of the par- community. That growth is re- cted in our formal adoption of w bylaws, researched and writ- n by Carla Harkness, who had ly a few torn and dirty copies m the 1970s to guide her.

Our new bylaws, and the discus- n that led to them, created new ols for broadening PTA Council mbership. As well as seeking re participation by teachers and ministrators, we are working to ate greater racial and cultural versity in our membership through cussions with important parent groups such as Albany Families for Multicultural Education and the Albany Special Ed Parent Support Group.

A lengthy project for PTA Council this year was the creation of a parent handbook about the Albany School District. By now I hope every family with a child in the district has received a copy of this book. (If you haven't received yours yet, contact your PTA president.)

The handbook, written from a parent's point of view, tells how the district works, how you can contact district employees, and how to help make your school a better learning environment for our children. Production of the *Albany PTA Council Handbook* was underwritten by Computown, the computer store in San Francisco, and we are most grateful for their support. We plan to update the *Handbook* every year.

In another vein, the PTA Council Disaster Preparedness Committee raised everyone's consciousness of the need for parent involvement in school disaster planning. The committee contributed an important section to the PTA Council handbook, covering not only the necessary information about the district's disaster planning but also updating our information about the 1993-94 bond money, which can fund seismic upgrading at our schools.

The committee, chaired by Christiane Khan and Karen Carlson-Olson, has been tireless in its attendance at Albany Board of Education meetings, and they also stood as the Albany PTA Council's primary representatives at the Solano Stroll.

The PTA Council also has a committee that has been studying the AUSD budget process, trying to clarify the often murky currents of school funding. Chair Sandy Bender has also been attending Board of Education meetings; in late spring and early summer, when teacher salaries were a focus of attention, her concise reports of public discussions helped us answer questions from other parents. As the new budget process begins, we will

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# Former Albany mayor awarded

Robert E. Nichols, former Mayor of the city of Albany and Deputy District Attorney for the County of Marin has been awarded the Prosecutor of the Year Award by the Marin County District Attorney Jerry R. Herman.

The Prosecutor of the Year Award is presented to Deputy District Attorneys for leadership and outstanding personal achievement in the performance of the duties of a district attorney.

Nichols, a 1973 graduate of Albany High School, has been employed by the Marin County District Attorney's Office for 11 years and was appointed deputy district attorney in charge of the Consumer and Environmental Unit in February 1989.

Since assuming that position, Nichols has prosecuted several notable cases, most recently including prosecution of a false advertising action against Microsoft Corporation.

The case was based on alleged false advertising in the sale of the Microsoft Officer product. Microsoft, which settled the case without admitting guilt, agreed to provide free computer software for each school district in the California. The settlement, valued by some at over $6 million was heralded by education officials, including Superintendent of Public Instruction Delane Easton, as a significant benefit to California schools.

Other noteworthy cases included prosecution of BMW of America for allegedly falsely advertising an engine, which BMW claimed was run for more than 100,000 miles and showed no signs of wear. In resolution of the case BMW, without admitting any wrongdoing, agreed to conduct a program of corrective advertising, provided extended warranties for purchasers of autos with the advertised engine, and paid penalties and costs of $450,000.

Nichols, a former member of the Albany City Council, served two terms as mayor and three terms as vice mayor before retiring in 1992. During his tenure on the city council, the city constructed its new Library/Community Center and the Albany teen Center.

Nichols is also a former president of the Albany Lions Club and continues to serve as its secretary.


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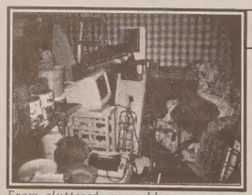
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Most homes have room enough to live comfortably, but the clutter we accumulate makes them uncomfortable. When homes had attics and basements, the urge to save our possessions wasn't such a problem. Now down-sizing and economy of space are the hallmarks of today's housing developers. Utilizing space efficiently can be a challenge. Classes in interior design, books from the library or home oriented magazines all can help, but the one most important factor is making room to be comfortable. Having an off-site storage unit can help you save all the extra important things. Make a two column list with the most frequently used furniture and accessories for each room in one column. In the other column, list items you can live without, and those used seasonally. Plan to reorganize closets as well.

Talk to a storage counselor to explain how much you will be storing and they will suggest the proper size. Using a small rental truck or pickup truck, take all the items for storage to your unit at one time. Keep your original list in a file with your storage contract and related papers, so you will have an inventory of what is in your unit for easy retrieval. Now home can be more comfortable, easier to live in, and your storage unit has become your *"Invisible household assistant"*!

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# A commitment to facilitating on the road to self-discovery

**Community Folk**

**By Clara Rae Genser**



"Taking care of children's needs is the currency of love. It is a much more effective way of loving than saying, `I love you.'"

This is the sentence that leapt out to me as I read one of Thomas McMahon's handout sheets prepared for the students in his "Parenting" workshop. The sheet is titled "Parenting With Joy and Success."

It is the workshop he is holding at University Village in Albany on Feb. 7 that induced Kay Reed to call me about this very interesting man. The two-hour workshop (6 to 8 p.m.) is free.

He is also holding workshops in Richmond in February and March (30 hours, with tuition), as well as one in Oakland in March which is a donation to Bananas.

But it is the man, Thomas McMahon, who interested me. In our long conversation I found him to be a gentle, caring man whose eyes lit up when he spoke of the two things most important to him: his family and PRH.

It was learning about PRH and meeting the woman he knew should be his wife that led McMahon to leave the priesthood and opt for a life of service outside the religious world.

PRH stands for Personality and Human Relations. (Yes, the letters don't match. PRH actually stands for "Personalite et Relations Humaines," a system started by French educator Andre Rochais, who "devoted his life to exploring the depths of the person.")

In browsing through the pamphlet McMahon gave me about PRH, I find that PRH educators "are selected for their character and their ability to incorporate PRH values into their personal live."

They must complete a minimum of six years of required PRH education plus personal and professional training before a three-year license is issued.

Thus PRH, and his training and years of experience as a priest, have become a way of life for Tom, as well as his wife Kathy Ahoy, a public health nurse, and 8-year-old son Sean.

A softness in his voice and the slightest of accents revealed McMahon's Irish beginnings. He was one of 10 children in what was then a poor family. Education, he tells us, was not automatic and for the average child, such as he, it ended with grade school.

After grade school he went to work, first on the family farm and then as a sales manager in a shop.

But Tom felt "this is not for me. There must be more." He felt he was "called to make a difference."

When he entered the priesthood he found great joy. He had to catch up on his studies and "it was what I wanted to do, and I was good at it." And he adds, "I got a lot of joy out of it."

He went to Nairobi, in Africa, for his ministry, and ended up a principal of a boys' high school there. But there was a "restlessness in me."

And he spoke of going to the villages and noting the great difference between life there and life in the city.

"I was educating boys, giving them experiences and ambitions they couldn't follow up." He felt it accentuated the pain and frustration felt by the young people.

He also found something missing in himself. "Something at the heart of me. Spirituality wasn't just for part of me, but was for all of me."

He left Kenya and came to University of San Francisco for a master's degree in education. During this time he was able to articulate for himself that "religion cannot be taught."

That the history can be taught, but the essence of religion is caught in the simplest of ways: by a chance remark from a friend, from people playing together, by people telling stories to each other, by people looking at stars or walking in nature, etc.

"This was a fact I faced, and in my ministry and later in my workshops I have tried to bring it out." And he adds, "When I met PRH it put it all together for me in a way that made sense to me."

He speaks of the difficult decision he made to leave the priesthood.

"It wasn't an easy decision, especially for an Irish Catholic." And he adds, with a smile, "One of the scary dreams I would wake up with was my mother's face when I told her."

Asked how she had taken it, he replied, "She took it well but it was hard on her."

And now? "What is wonderful," he says, "is that I feel I am doing what I did as a priest, but doing it more profoundly." He speaks of doing it with small groups where "your story is your story and it's OK"

And sometimes, he says, people find they can give voice to things they were never aware of before. People are helped and hindered in groups, he tells us, but in small groups (a maximum of 15) "we use a writing method that helps people to let go"

Sparked by Carl Rogers' insight that human personality is "essentially positive and social," PRH is a science for the growth of the "being."

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I quote this because it is the essence of what Tom McMahon was telling me about what he does, and why.

But I must finish with a from him: "It helps to live t you want to live. It cuts throu business of waiting for an aft Life is now."

Tom McMahon,"Self-D ery Facilitator," can be reac 528-4600.

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*Thank you, Kay Reed, for ing me about Tom McM enjoyed meeting with him.*

*And, as always, I invite you to give me your input: ing people, events, organiz etc.*

*Please write to me at 555 St., #443, Albany 94706, o* 525-4585.

# Piano prodigy to play recital

KENSINGTON — Laszlo Holics, a 15-year-old Hungarian piano prodigy, will present a recital at 8 p.m. on Saturday, Jan. 27, at the First Unitarian Church of Berkeley.

The concert commemorates the 50th anniversary of the death of Hungarian composer Bela Bartok.

Holics is a student at the Franz Liszt Music Academy in Budapest, Hungary. He began his music studies at age 4 and won the Piano Competition of Budapest at age 9.

He has performed extensively on Hungarian radio and television and has given prize-winning performances throughout Hungary and a number of European countries for the past five years.

As part of the program, David Schneider, a Bartok scholar, instructor and Ph.D. candidate at UC Berkeley, will present a discussion of Bartok's life and music.

The First Unitarian Church of Berkeley is located at 1 Lawson Road in Kensington.

Suggested donation to the Bartok Memorial Concert is $17, or $10 for students and seniors. For tickets and information, call 521-7398.

The concert program: *Rondo No. 1;* selections from *Mikrocosmos; Rumanian Folk Dances; Allegro Barbaro; Old Dance Tunes,* and *Suite, Opus* 14, all by Bartok, and Lizst's *Tnrantella.*

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## Albany Chamber of Commerce

By Fern Luoma

# Day at the Races to benefit non-profit groups

Major prizes will be won at Albany Day at the Races, scheduled for late March or early April, where non-profit organizations have the opportunity to earn unlimited funds through ticket sales. The Albany Chamber of Commerce, with the cooperation of Golden Gate Fields, offers this each year for groups to earn money that is usually returned to the city for projects for the underprivileged as well as civic needs.

Organizations will sell tickets for $1 each or six for $5, giving the buyer a free admission to the race track on Albany Day only, reserved seating, a Round Table discount coupon and the chance to win one of approximately 50 prizes. Each ticket has a $7.50 value. All monies collected go to the groups. None is given to the race track.

For information for your organization, phone the Chamber of Commerce at 525-1771.

### Hal Denham's 27th Year

On Dec. 1 of 1995, Hal Denham began his 27th year with the Albany Chamber of Commerce. When he reached 65 he looked for something to do after retiring from a long-term job. He thought he would like to stay with the Chamber for at least five years, never dreaming it would go into his 27th. Denham celebrated his 91st birthday last Friday and has no desire to retire from Chamber duties.

He is in the process of putting his life story on tape for his grandchildren. It's taking a little while, however; he recalls minute details of early years.

### Albany Lions Club Crab Feed

The Chamber of Commerce has a few tickets left for the Lions Club Crab Feed to be held Friday, Jan. 26, at the Veterans' Memorial Building. Tickets are $20 each. No-host cocktails will be served from 5:30 p.m., and dinner is at 6:30 p.m. This is an "all you can eat" dinner prepared and served by club members.Winners of Albany Christmas '95

Albany's Shirin Samiljan won first prize of $100 in the Albany Christmas '95 drawing held just before Christmas. She had deposited her coupon at Bears & Baubles, as did Nancy Baddock, winning a gift certificate from Semifreddi's.

Listing the names of other winners, followed by the store donating a prize and where the coupon was deposited, are Andora Freeman, prize from D & M Auto Body, Deirdre Bauer, Albany Video, Cynthia Vorte, Bears & Baubles, and A.M. Dorry, Morley's Books, all deposited at Play It Again Toys; Indu Choraria, Earthquake Outlet, and Barbara Yeldell, Scandia Import, both from High Tech Burrito; Pat Meyer, Albany Bowl, Al Caruso, Semifreddi's, and Y. Yamashiro, Soleil Tanning, from Richard's Jewelers; Zackary Jordon, Century Cable, and Evelyn Zavala, EH Associates, deposited at Cafe Crayon; Dick Otterstad, Snippety Crickets, and Kattie Calvert, Cafe Crayon, from Solano Copy Center; Irene Mitchell, Water Yam, and Sydney Otto, Mary and Joe's Sporting Goods, from The Brass Horse; Mark Green, Albany Florist, African Asian Imports; Veronica Rodriguez, Avenue Travel, D & M Auto Body; Nurit Garner, Cafe Crayon, Scandia Import; and Leon Leventhal, High Tech Burrito, CWS. Also, Billy Barrett, Richard's Jewelers, Albany Video; Violet Feinauer, Rituals, Flowerland; Rich Haugner, Zand Market, Mary & Joe's Sporting Goods; and Karen Hosley, Grant's Jewelers, High Tech Burrito.

### Candidates for Citizen of the Year Sought

Applications are available at the Chamber of Commerce office for the 1995 Citizen of the Year. The award is offered to anyone who has volunteered services in Albany for 1995.

Presentation will be made at a special event in March. For information, phone the Chamber at 525-1771 weekdays, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.

## Obituary

A memorial service will be held for Willie Henry Coring Sunday, Jan. 14, 2 p.m., at the First Unitarian Church of Berkeley, 1 Lawson Road, Kensington.

Coring died peacefully at Albany home of 50 years Jan. 7. He was 83. He is survived by his wife of 49 years, Carol, daughters Diane Eiseman of Pleasant Hill and Phyllis Coring of Visalia, grandchildhen Kimberly, Bill and Melissa Eiseman and great grandchild, Timothy William Thompson. Also, four neices and two nephews.

Born and raised on a ranch in Fresno, Coring moved to Berkeley where he owned and operated an upholstry shop until he retired in 1979. He was a member of the First Unitarian Church of Berkeley.

Memorial gifts are requested for the Visiting Nurse Association and Hospice of Northern California, 1900 Powell Street, Emeryville.

# Time to support educational efforts



**From the Mayor's desk**
El Cerrito Mayor Cathie Kosel

"Education is a debt owed from one generation to the next."

A wise statement, but one we have ignored in California. Our governor and legislature have provided so little funding for our schools that we rank at the bottom of all the states in our support for public education. Our West Contra Costa Unified Schools cannot educate our kids without our help. It is in the best interest of our community to do all we can to assist them.

Schools are key to a healthy community, and I am determined to focus on youth this year. It's appropriate then to note the work of James S. Coleman, professor of social relations at Johns Hopkins University. In 1966 he published a landmark study that found that the primary determinate of a child's success in school was not per pupil expenditure, books in the library, facilities or curriculum. What mattered was family involvement.

Since then we have seen a renewed emphasis on parental involvement in schools. During this effort we seem to have forgotten that "We are all family" or, as we've heard many times, "It takes a whole village to raise a child."

Here in El Cerrito we have committed to reminding each other of this simple truth. How? By establishing a Community and Schools Partnership. This could mean fund-raising. This could mean work parties that improve our schools' facilities. This could mean serving on committees. These are valued and important activities. However, we hope to achieve more direct contact with our children.

Expecting that parents, teachers, administrators and support staff can do the job alone is forgetting the power and importance of community. We each share the responsibility for the future. Can you allocate one hour each week to tutor a student, mentor a student, assist in the school library, speak about your vocation/hobbies/profession to a class? Are there other ways we could be directly involved with our future, our children?

Think about how YOU can contribute to this effort, how you can help pay the "debt owed from one generation to the next." Over the next few months we will be soliciting ideas, support and a commitment of your time to achieving the goal of the El Cerrito Community and Schools Partnership. Will you help? I have appointed Barbara Chriss, a well-known and highly respected local educator, to coordinate the efforts of our community. Please feel free to contact her at 215-4300 with your ideas and commitment to help.

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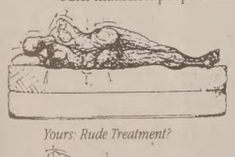


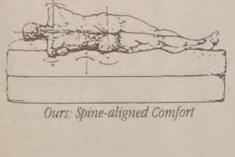
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## Viewpoint

# Why it's time to redraw school boundaries

**By Herb Cole**
Superintendent of Schools
West Contra Costa School District

It is time to redraw school boundaries in the West Contra Costa Unified School District. Typically, school districts redraw boundaries every 10 years to adjust for changes in student populations and school facilities.

We have not changed our boundaries on a districtwide level since 1969—over a quarter century ago.

Several factors make this an especially advantageous time to begin this task. They include:

- The shifting of student enrollments throughout West County. Changes in demographics have created overcrowded schools in some parts of the district while other schools operate below capacity.
- The opening of three new schools (Hanna Ranch, Cesar Chavez and Hercules Middle/High School) between 1995 and 1999.
- The absence of a middle school within Richmond city limits.
- The attainment of guarded financial stability for the district.
- The opportunity to provide racially-balanced schools to the degree possible.

Redrawing boundaries is an excellent opportunity to improve our schools' ability to educate students. Overcrowded schools, for

Redrawing boundaries is an excellent opportunity to improve our schools' ability to educate students. Overcrowded schools, for example, have caused the displacement of some students from their neighborhood schools.

One way to reduce the number of displaced students is to redraw boundaries.The lack of a middle school in the city of Richmond forces economically disadvantaged students to travel long distances to attend their middle schools, affecting their attendance and academic achievement. These and other students who rely on public transportation will face further challenges as shrinking revenues force AC Transit to cut services.

The absence of a middle school within Richmond city limits has also created large student populations at all five of our existing middle schools. If, through redrawing boundaries, we can increase the number of schools providing middle grade instruction, all middle school students, staffs and programs will benefit from the resulting smaller school populations.

We must capitalize on this opportunity to improve the use of our public schools for students and their families. Yet the Board of Education realizes that—as with other major changes— redrawing boundaries will not please everyone completely.

The district's goal, however, is that any new school boundaries will reflect public concerns as much as possible, while helping schools to provide the best possible education for all students in an equitable manner. History has shown that administratively-decreed boundaries which are not based on community concerns don't work. Boundaries by bureaucracy also conflict with the common sense notion that if schools are to succeed, they must encourage a sense of ownership from their surrounding communities.

This is why community involvement is absolutely critical to the boundary process. Public input will set the boundary criteria that will improve student access to schools, increase community ownership, and enhance the education program.

Recognizing this, the West Contra Costa Unified School District has begun the process of redrawing boundaries with a series of town forums to be held at all of our high schools. The first town forum was held on yesterday at El Cerrito High School.

Similar meetings will be held at John F. Kennedy, De Anza, Pinole Valley and Richmond High Schools.

A second round of public meetings will take place in February after the district has received public input from the meetings.

The West Contra Costa Unified School District stands ready to listen to its communities.

I encourage all interested citizens to attend the upcoming town forums as we begin the task of redrawing our school boundaries.

## Sierra

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The cardroom would provide Albany with $1.35 million up front in licensing fees, as well as a guaranteed $1.2 million a year in tax revenue.

The lawsuit alleges, among other things, that Measure F is in violation of the California Environmental Quality Act, and that it is inconsistent with Albany's General Plan.

Although the lawsuit was ruled against in October, the decision has yet to be filed. The CRG has promised an appeal.

In his letter, Brodsky claims the lawsuit is not a defense of CEQA, but rather "an abuse of environmental litigation to achieve non-environmental goals."

By supporting the lawsuit, said Brodsky, the Sierra Club "gives opponents of CEQA the ammunition they need when they go before the legislature to have CEQA gutted."

Brodsky said he sent the letter not as mayor of Albany but as a concerned Sierra Club member.

"It's not a good thing for the Sierra Club to get involved in this non-environmental issue," he said.

Tempers flared as a result of the letter. CRG member John Shively sent a copy of the letter to this newspaper, characterizing it as a political ploy.

"Brodsky actively campaigned for the re-election of committee chair Jeff Golden and several other committee members in the recent chapter election. It appears that seeking Sierra Club withdrawal is political payback time."

"Oh my God," said Golden when told of the note. Golden called the suggestion "absurd" and said it was "ridiculous to suggest a payback here."

"Brodsky lent some assistance (in the election)," said Golden, "as did dozens and dozens and dozens of other people."

CRG president David Arkin, who has butted heads with Brodsky over many issues in the past, was present at the meeting, as was Brodsky. Neither spoke.

"(Brodsky' s) letter says worse things about him than it does about us," Arkin said.

Shively accused the letter of "totally misrepresenting and convoluting the facts."

Much of the sebate over the letter stems from legal assertions made by Brodsky in regards to the lawsuit. Still more comes as a result of Brodsky's accusation of "moral antipathy toward gambling before any environmental or CEQA arguments were raised" on the part of CRG mem-

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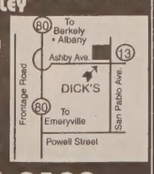
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Multimedia Notes

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# Winners never quote and quoters never win

**We Give Good Quote:** Most regular readers know how much (because of my short attention span) I like a good one-liner or a funny quote. KQED Radio's **Michael Krasny** forwards this query: Why did **Bob Packwood** go to Utah? A. He wanted to grab **Enid Baumholtz's** seat. Ba da BING. Or the only slightly sacrilegious line a puckish reader e-mailed on Christmas Eve asking why Christ was born in a manger. A. The family was in an HMO. Ba da BANG.

The current "Entertainment Weekly" includes some of the better TV lines from 1995, a few of which I've used before. Some selections:

**Jerry Seinfeld,** to a polygraph tester on "Seinfeld:" "Let me ask you something: If someone's lying, are their pants REALLY on fire?"

**George Carlin,** on Tom Snyder's show, commenting on Jerry Garcia's death: "I think we're making a step forward, because now rock stars are dying in treatment centers instead of hotel rooms."

**Glenn Quinn,** who plays Mark on "Roseanne," admiring his new trailer-park home: "Hey, did you see the bathroom door? It slides into the wall — just like on Star Trek!"

**Jon Stewart,** on the final installment of his cancelled funny late-night talk show: "To all those people who said my show wouldn't last, I have only one thing to say: Good call!"

**Kelsey Grammer** on "Frasier," referring to his live-in pooch: "Eddie and I have an agreement: He doesn't roll around on the couch, and I don't throw him in front of a bus."

The poker-faced **David Duchovny's** Mulder character on "X-Files:" "I could be mistaken. Maybe it was another bald-headed, jigsaw-puzzle-tattooed naked man I saw."

Finally, **Bill Maher,** on his funny Comedy Central show, "Politically Incorrect:" "Newt Gingrich says the baseball players and owners should be forced to watch *Field of Dreams.* And if they haven't settled the strike in a month, they should have to watch the rest of **Kevin Costner's** movies."

**"Murder One" Returns:** I watched Monday's night's much-awaited return of ABC's "Murder One," and I'm happy to report that the ratings-challenged show, TV's best drama (yes, even a bit better than "NYPD Blue") hasn't lost a step. In Chapter Nine, there have been no cast changes, no tinkering with the storyline, only a new time spot (Mondays at 10.) This show was getting killed by the much inferior "ER," but it should do considerably better against CBS' faltering "Chicago Hope."

**We Aim to Sleaze Dept.:** They're dropping like flies — or what flies sometimes attach themselves to in pastures — on the daytime sleaze talk-show circuit. Already cancelled (sigh) are "Perez," "Carnie," "Danny!" and nighttime effluent "The Stephanie Miller Show." The latest talk casualty is the less-offensive "Gabrielle" (don't these people have last names — or do they just think they're famous enough we know them?). On the critical list are these sick — in several ways — sleazefests: "Richard Bey;" "Tempestt"; and the born-again high-roader (but still dimbulb) "Mark Walberg." "George and Alana," a much classier show, is also in trouble. But "Gordon Elliott" has somehow managed to hang on. One Aussie called a radio station here the other day to declaim, "I thought I'd left that imbecile behind when I left Melbourne. Imagine my horror when I moved here and saw that he'd followed me to California."

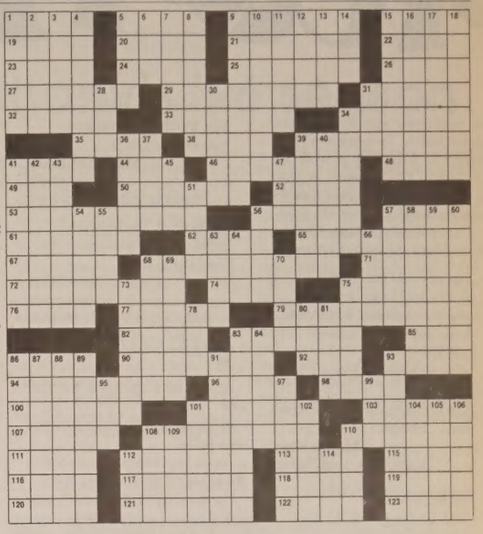
**MULTIMEDIA NOTES:** "Bill's gone," said one KPIX staffer this week, referring to AM/noon forecaster **Bill Martin,** who's apparently set to start soon on KTVU's 10:00 news after several months of legal wrangling between KPIX and KTVU. Channel 2 has ordered a spiffy new weather computer system for Martin ... "Entertainment Weekly" names the increasingly obnoxious "Friends" the best network TV show, and TV Guide also puts it in its Top 10. But the stand-up comics are having a field day with the annoying, overrated show: "Sure," sneered comedian **Greg Proops** the other day when he was fill-in host on Alex Bennett's morning radio show, "Please do another five minutes on Trident Gum." "Friends" is giving new meaning to both "banal" and "ubiquitous." ... Want a good laugh? Turn to page 46 of next week's TV Guide. The ad that appears there is as good an example of the Rupert-ization of our culture (Aussie tabloid magnate **Rupert Murdoch** owns the Guide and Fox and half of everything else in media, it seems) as anything I've seen. No beating around the bush here, no siree — just big, bold letters reading: "If your butt is a bit too big"

... (Trust me, it's even more offensive in large type and no quotes around it. I had to look twice to ensure it wasn't a joke). That's all; no ad copy. It's an advert for a wonderful diet supplement that I'll make sure to buy now ... Ah, that Rupert, such a sentimental guy. I loved the Guide's cover on Christmas week just past. Remember it? The headline read "The Big Hair Issue!" With a cover shot of, yes, someone from "Friends," Lisa Kudrow. And there wasn't one mention of Christmas anywhere on the

## New York Times Magazine Puzzle

### NIGHT LIGHTS

BY ERIC ALBERT / EDITED BY WILL SHORTZ



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5 Loopy
9 "Uncle ——" (Paul McCartney hit)
15 Boom causers
19 "Absolutely!"
20 Mighty mite
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22 Tennis stroke
23 Flan
24 Royal pastime
25 Reservations
26 Recherché
27 Kind of planning
29 Legislators
31 Phoenix suburb
32 Kind of question
33 Plane's right
34 Paged
35 Kenneth Grahame character
38 "I cannot tell ——"
39 Figures out at the beginning?
41 Abounding
44 Sliver
46 Second servings
48 Flynn portrayal
49 Record producer Brian
50 Program since 1965
52 "—— may look on a king"
53 Summer of 1980 question
56 Madrid museum
57 "Yeah, sure"
61 To some degree
62 Magazine contents
65 Procrastinator
67 War story
68 *It's depicted by parts of today's puzzle*
71 Polynesian tongue
72 "Locksley Hall" poet
74 Hope and Crosby, often
75 Mickey's partner
76 Beat (out)
77 —— 6
79 Lampoons
82 Slack-jawed
83 Most likely
85 —— deus in nobis (there is God within us)
86 Remove
90 Part of a 1995 reunion
92 The —— of the land
93 Ancient goddess of fertility
94 Today's soldier, e.g.
96 Bass ——
98 Tom Clancy hero Jack
100 Noisy gulps
101 Plesiosaurlike reptile, familiarly
103 "The Taming of the Shrew" setting
107 Author Ken
108 Salespeople push it
110 Wondrous
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112 Thus
113 Magwitch of "Great Expectations"
115 1979 disco hit
116 Kind of rack
117 Shop's replacement
118 Mooring site
119 Bed piece
120 Forward
121 Early English poet laureate
122 Major hit
123 Bang out, in a way

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1 Half a 1980's TV duo
2 Get a smile out of
3 Race do-overs
4 How to play "Loch Lomond"
5 Breach
6 From —— Z
7 Classroom reward
8 Slide sight
9 Familiarize
10 Artist Toulouse——
11 Form a queue
12 Perry's creator
13 Net supports
14 Parisian possessive
15 Brake sound
16 Movie for which Lee Grant won an Oscar
17 Sink
18 Went 80, say
28 More than enough
30 Traveler's guide
31 Leaves in the pot
34 Words in an anthology title
36 More than disdain
37 Japanese assembly
39 Tilting building?
40 Gentle —— (Miss Manners salutation)
41 Newspaper's —— desk
42 Had an inspiration
43 Foundation
45 Atlantic City resort, with "the"
47 Item in a lock
51 Downer
54 Classic film set in Wyoming
55 Delilah in "Samson and Delilah"
56 George Michael, for one
57 Mideasterner
58 Military decoration
59 Most like a ghost
60 Europe's Gulf of ——
63 Year in Louis XIV's reign
64 "O Sole ——"
66 Foreign title
68 Get down, so to speak
69 Chant
70 "Over here!"
73 Brainpower
75 Fictional Walter
78 Baker's need
80 W.W. I grp.
81 Peter, once
83 George Cukor classic
84 Unversed?
86 Windows work area
87 Officially not working
88 Psych out
89 Southern stinger
91 Quarterback
93 Financial page figure
95 Kind of satellite
97 Perfume dispensers?
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102 Pasta shape
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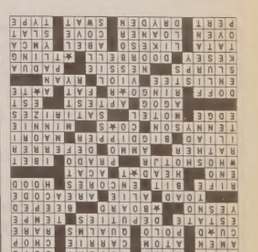
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# POETRY

*Students wrote these poems during workshops with Poet-in-Residence Judith Tannenbaum. This project is funded in part by the California Arts Council, a state agency, and the National Endowment for the Arts, a federal agency.*

*Poetry headline created by Alec Scott, MacGregor High School.*

Sometimes I am an idea
that is only in my head
and if I explained it in words
it wouldn't make sense
outside.
And sometimes I don't make
sense inside
and I have to pick out the weeds
until I hit soil.

Miguel Juarez
MacGregor High School

Moon, Moon
You are the god of the sky.
Sun, Sun
You shine like gold.
You watch over everyone.
You are our life.

Hanako O'Leary
second grade
MacGregor Primary School

My brain is like fireworks
because thoughts come to me
like little sparks.

Jason Wins
second grade
MacGregor Primary School

SUBURBAN LIFE VS. CITY LIFE

In the city, Hope hangs his head low.
In the suburbs, he walks the street with pride.
In the city, kids play stick ball in the street till the sun goes down.
In the suburbs, kids have teams and practice on a field of green.
The noises of the city are gunshots, police cars, screams, cars and people crying.
The noises of the suburbs are birds singing, children playing, music and laughter.
Isn't that a shame?

Anna Kirkpatrick
MacGregor High School

MY MOM

Your smile is like the rising sun.
Tony Kerman, second grade
MacGregor Primary School
My song is a dog howling!
My heart says, "Hi."
And when I am lonely
I start to talk back.
And when I talk back
it feels funny.
Sometimes my heart
tells some funny jokes!

Sophie Torok
second grade
MacGregor Primary School

## Grant

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meetings for the area facilitated by urban planner Ron Morgan, the expense of that project (about $15,000) would be included as part of the strategic plan funding, Raycraft said. The program had been suggested to the city council by Sustainable El Cerrito and the Sierra Club, working in concert.

The city council has expressed an interest in the community planning program, but no commitment has yet been made to Morgan for his services.

In the meantime, students at UC-Berkeley have been making their own study on the Plaza and its environs from a business standpoint. They are expected to present their findings to the El Cerrito City Council at its Jan. 16 meeting.

Phillips is currently working on obtaining further documentation to send to the MTC. He hopes to obtain letters of support from BA and from the city of Albany.

Phillips said he has already ceived an expression of verbal port from a BART planner.

In a letter acknowledging rece of the application, staff learned 112 applications had been recei requesting $55 million in fund able in the current round. Acti not expected on the application til March.

## PTA

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count on the Budget Committee to keep us informed.

Finally, a word of thanks to Sarah Samonsky, the PTA Council president who has kept all this activity going and still has plenty of ideas where those came from. I'm not sure any of us can keep up with her energy, but we know it's certainly worth the try.

### Meetings this week

Cornell School's first PTA meeting of the year takes place tonight, at 7:30 p.m. The Cornell Science Fair is open next Thursday, Jan. 18, from 7 to 8 p.m.

Marin PTA's first 1996 meeting is also tonight, in the Marin School library, at 7 p.m. As always, all interested parents are welcome.

Vista-MacGregor PTA will meet next Thursday, Jan. 18, at 7 p.

See for yourself what's happ ing at Albany High School AHS Showcase — an open ho for parents and students — ta place on Wednesday, Jan. 31.

The Showcase, which in the has been scheduled for late spri is happening earlier this year.

I'll be able to give more det about the Showcase program week.

*Check 'Clip 'n Go' in Friday's Classifieds for listings of area garage sales*

# PET TALK





## Confinement of pets: an important Bay Area issue

*by Nancy Frensley, State Humane Officer, The Berkeley-East Bay Humane Society*

The issue of confinement of animals goes beyond whether they should or should not be confined. It involves how animals can be confined and kept in a way that is both humane and satisfies local and state laws. Under the existing laws, dogs may not run at large and cats are generally tolerated at large until they become a problem for someone. The way in which animals may be confined is spelled out in State Law, PC (597(t). This law states that "Every person who keeps an animal confined in an enclosed area shall provide it with an adequate exercise area. If the animal is restricted by a leash, rope, or chain, the leash, rope, or chain shall be affixed in such a manner that it will prevent the animal from becoming entangled or injured and permit the animal's access to adequate shelter, food and water. Violation of this section constitutes a misdemeanor. This section shall not apply to an animal which is in transit, in a vehicle, or in the immediate control of a person. (Enacted 1970; Amended 1971)

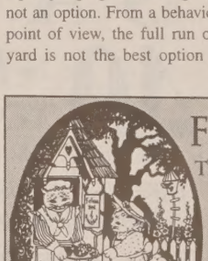
It is all too common a practice for people to tie up dogs when they do not have adequate fencing or do not want to take time to properly socialize and train them. Most of the cases humane officers investigate are complaints about chained up dogs. I am not referring to tying a dog's leash for a few minutes while you use the ATM or step inside a store for coffee, but those tie-out situations in which a dog is tied up in a yard for hours on end, day after day. In that situation, several things start to happen. The first is that the dog is likely to vent his or her frustration by barking, tugging and digging. Following that is often a behavioral syndrome called "tether aggression," in which a dog becomes generally aggressive and sometimes dangerous in response to the frustration of being constantly tied up. Even though confining an animal is legal in some situations, there are better solutions to confinement that create a nicer environment for the owner and the dog.

Most trainers and humane societies advocate early "crate training" for dogs. Used properly, the dog crate or exercise pen creates a sense of security and peace in the dog so he or she can learn to be quiet and not destructive indoors. Dogs that are housetrained and calm inside do not have to be left outdoors, exposed to all the stimuli coming from the street and neighborhood. Dogs often become habitual barkers, diggers or escape artists as a result of being left outdoors. Because of their sensitivity to sounds, sights and smells, dogs left outdoors frequently experience a lot of stress. They attempt to respond to all they smell and hear and instinctive responses clash with their need to be good and obedient pack members. The result is stress, which creates many problems constant outdoor dogs have. Nevertheless, it is necessary for some owners to keep their dogs outdoors.

Tying up or chaining is the least desirable way to keep a dog outside. It will ultimately cost you more in veterinary care, grooming and behavior problem expenses, not to mention the fact that you may have to deal with the authorities if your neighbors are offended by this practice. It is much better to purchase or build a portable kennel run with a doghouse and good drainage than to try to get by with a marginal situation. Dogs kept outdoors need dry ground, a shelter elevated above the ground, shade and a good water supply that can't be tipped over. Other amenities can and should include a soft pad to lie on (something that won't soak up water and dirt), safe toys or other entertainment and an insulated area in cold weather (lining the inside of the doghouse with carpet and providing a worklight usually creates enough warmth for our California winters). It also surprises some people to find that their dogs must be taught to go inside a doghouse. Many dogs will sit in rain all day by a gate waiting for their people to come home. Above all, the kennel should be cleaned every day and be examined for wet areas, weeds and trash. Dogs require a large enough area so fences and urine are not in the rest area and the kennel should have some sort of top so jumping or climbing out is not an option. From a behavioral point of view, the full run of a yard is not the best option for most dogs. As pack animals, they will have most of their fun when they prefer their exercise times to be with the pack leader or fa Left to their own devices, exercise more than likely will consist of chasing cats squir barking at people and other d along the fenceline and o activities you do not want the do when they are on the le with you. Because dogs nee leader/follower relationship, b ing a little less space that is ne to the family is more desir than having lots of space freedom alone.



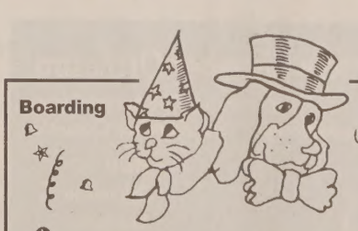

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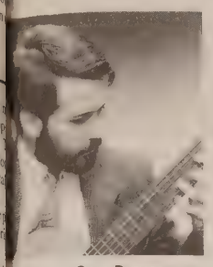
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## East Bay Events

### st Bay Presents guitarists



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East Bay Presents welcomes the guitar duo of Sharon Wayne and Cern uoz at 8 p.m. Jan. 13 at the Berkeley City Club, 2315 Durant, Berkeley. y will play works by Granados, Brouwer, Bach and Bogdanovic, among rs. On Saturday, Jan. 12, East Bay Presents co-sponsors a Chamber Music ravaganza to raise funds to repair the City Club's Bechstein piano. For rmation call 843-9930.

### remiere organist at St. Mark's

Organist Robert Bates will play a recital Sunday, Jan. 14, at 5:30 p.m., turing Toccata in D Minor, J.S.Bach; *Freu dich sehr o meine Seele,* Georg hm: *Gleichwie das Feuer,* Melchior Schildt; Paduana Lachrymae, Schildt; l Praeludium in D Minor, Dietrich Buxtehude. The recital is part of the ond Sunday Series and will be played on St. Mark's Flentrop organ. A ception to greet the artist will follow.

The event will take place at St. Mark's Episcopal Church, 2300 Bancroft y, Berkeley. Parking is available in the church garage. An offering will be eived.

Bates is university organist of Memorial Church, Stanford University, ere he received a Ph.D. in musicology in 1986. He has won top prizes in an performance in numerous cities including Fort Wayne, San Antonio, roit, Bruges and Chartres. He was awarded the two highest prizes offered French conservatories, the Prix d'Excellence and the Prix de Virtuosite. He specialist in seventeenth-century French organ music, history of theory early tuning systems.



### Saturday at Maybeck

**Brazilian songstress Claudia Villela sings, accompanied by Weber Drummond on piano, his Saturday at 8 p.m. at Maybeck Recital Hall, 1537 Euclid in Berkeley. For tickets call 848-3228.**

### e fundraiser

lay Area radio personality Doug Edwards, best known for his jazz radio w, "Ear Thyme," on KPFA-FM, suffered a devastating fire at his home in ifica in November. To assist him in the recovery profess, many of the Bay 's great musicians, including John Handy, Kito Gamble, Mark Izu and nald "Duck" Bailey, will assemble at Kimball's East on Tuesday, Jan. 16 p.m. Tickets are $15.

For information on contributing to the Doug Edwards Disaster Fund call Robinson at First National Bank at 415-359-5500. For information on concert call Kimball's East at 658-0606.

### ounter-tenor sings

**unter-tenor Derek Lee Ragin appear as special guest h Music's Re-creation in a ed program of sacred and ular chamber music by emann, Buxtehude and ndel on Jan. 13 at 8 p.m. at John's Presbyterian Church, 27 College Ave., Berkeley. ervations are recom-nded; tickets are $18 and . Call 528-1725. Ragin is re-rded as one of today's fore-st counter-tenors. Widely in mand as a master of the Ba-ue vocal style, he is also nsidered an inspired inter-ter of new music.**





### ne-of-a-kind comedy

The Asian American skit comedy group The 18 Mighty Mountain War-s will be returning to the Julia Morgan Center for the Arts in Berkeley with unky Groovy Clay Pot Squid Added" a compilation of some of their best erial from their four previous feature shows.

This show is intended to give Bay Area audiences a taste of the group that an Week says "brings on tears of laughter," but will also serve to partially nce the Warriors' trip to the Hong Kong Fringe Festival '96 immediately

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# Jazzy start to symphony's '96 season

**By Marilyn Tucker**

The Berkeley Symphony, the child we have nurtured from its beginning 25 years ago, continues to grow and mature, surprising and delighting us all.

Under Kent Nagano's imaginative direction at Zellerbach Hall Wednesday, Jan. 3, the orchestra played the kind of fearless program in which it has long excelled, including standard repertory concerto performance with a first-rate soloist, a long excursion into the contemporary world of symphonic/jazz fusion (displaying a Russian accent yet!) and, finally, a passionate summation of musical romanticism at the last turn of the century.

For the program's opener, the Mendelssohn Violin Concerto, Nagano had signed up as soloist Yukiko Kamei, currently in the Los Angeles area where she teaches, concertizes and heads the Chamber Music/LA Festival.

By the time you've heard the Mendelssohn for the umpteenth time, you could be excused if the eyes glaze over at the mention of it, which is the main reason why the Kamei/Nagano partnership was the amazing thing it was. Instead of glossing over the tried-and-true details of this familiar feel-good music, Kamei and the orchestra endowed it with a vitality that burns in the memory.

Kamei's technique is on the button, but beyond that the tone is rich, warm and brilliant at the top especially. The phrasing is both ample and exact, and she gave the music a rhythmic thrust that never lagged. The sweetness of line was a lovely thing without ever becoming too sugary. And while Mendelssohn is often remembered as the composer who best brings fairies to life (*Midsummer Night's Dream*), Kamei also found Schubertian echoes of melancholy that occasionally linger in the concerto's wondrous tunes.

These inward glances then did a flip-flop in the last movement, a compelling invitation to turn up the heels and dance/dance/dance.

There could have been no better start for the New Year then to be a part of the Mendelssohn performance. The orchestral backup was both suave and elegant. Much of that credit for orchestral excellence should go to the Berkeley Symphony's current concertmaster, none other than Stuart Canin - long may he reign. Canin, of course, was for many years a distinguished fixture as concertmaster of the San Francisco Symphony. Trivia masters will also remember him as the violinist in the chamber music rehearsals that figured prominently in the Robert Altman film *Short Cuts* several years ago. His presence with

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Dorothea Lange's photograph of workers at the Richmond shipyards coming off of their shift in 1943.

# Oakland Museum: A long look at Lange

**By David H. Wright**

Berkeley's own Dorothea Lange is a photographer whose work always repays thoughtful study. We visualize the Great Depression through her, above all the "Migrant Mother" of 1936, which was made for public use and is reproduced in innumerable history books. But she applied the same sensitivity to the people she sought out to photograph and the same commitment to documenting the human condition for more than two decades, as we are reminded in a revealing exhibition at the Oakland Museum (through Jan. 28).

She began as a rather arty portrait photographer catering to wealthy San Francisco families and had a successful career for more than a dozen years, but in 1933, as her business slacked off, she began to take her camera into the streets to record scenes of human misery and political turmoil. The next year she started to collaborate with Paul Taylor of the UC Economics Department, a specialist in the problems of agricultural labor and by upbringing, a Wisconsin populist firmly committed to the ideal of the family farm. They were married the year after that and their collaboration gave her work a new focus.

This exhibition is called "Archive of an Artist" because when she was dying in 1965 she began arrangements to turn over all her material to the Oakland Museum, and Taylor carried through during the following years. There have been other excellent exhibitions of her work, beginning with the one in the New York Museum of Modern Art that she prepared but did not live to see, also the larger one organized by the San Francisco MoMA a year and a half ago, but by including archival material this one allows us to immerse ourselves in her work more deeply than ever before.

Here is the actual spiral-bound report by Taylor, illustrated by Lange's photographs, dated August 1935, proposing public camps for migrant laborers — a landmark in the New Deal. Here also are letters, typescripts, and page mock-ups for their book, *An American Exodus,* published in 1939 to alert the general

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# Two films take on drinking

**By Renata Polt**

Here's a way to jump-start the new year: See a film about a drunk. You'll feel better immediately, if only by contrast.

Actually, you have two films to choose from: Mike Figgis's *Leaving Las Vegas,* which has been around for a month or more; and Ulu Grosbard's *Georgia,* opening Jan. 12. Both present unrelenting views of what ol' demon rum (in the case of *Georgia,* complicated by ol' demons blow, smack, etc.) will do to you, but *Leaving Las Vegas* will leave you with less of a hangover.

Not that there's anything cheery about the Las Vegas story of an alcoholic and a hooker in love. Ben (Nicolas Cage), fired from his job as a screenwriter, goes to Vegas determined to drink himself to death. There he meets Sera (Elizabeth Shue), who, against her principles, falls in love with him. He insists that she never tell him to quit drinking, and she complies.



Jennifer Jason Leigh in 'Georgia.'

Ben's acceptance of himself and Sera sets *Leaving Las Vegas* apart from most other films about alcoholics. There's no denial here, no rationalization, no resolve to change.

Sera is somewhat less candid with herself than Ben is: She's living just

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# If you like to sing...

Everyone who likes to sing is invited to join the Berkeley Community Chorus which began its 30th term this week. This spring, music director Arlene Sagan will lead choristers in Gabriel Faure's Requiem, one of the most popular choral works in the literature, plus the Brahms *Schicksalslied* (Song of Destiny). This will be a chance for singers to explore the profound contrast between two composers' views of loss and death — first the "suffering human's falter and fall" of Brahms' Song then the "joyful deliverance, the aspiration towards happiness" that Faure recreates.

Both experienced and nonexperienced singers can join; no auditions or previous choral experience are necessary, and extra help with learning the music is available. Rehearsals are every Monday night, 7 to 10 p.m. Concerts set for the first two weekends in May. Rehearsals are held at St. Ambrose Church (downstairs) 2145 Gilman St. Berkeley.

For more information, call 528-2145.

BCCO is a unique community resource; it offers free performances of fine choral works to the community, and it has been a training ground and a source of creative joy for participants and audiences since its founding in 1966. An important factor in the success of the chorus is the involvement of its members in all aspects of its life — members sit on the board and direct policy, help with everything from mailings to moving the risers and baking the goods for refreshments at the concerts. Concerts are accessible to disabled people.

# Symphony

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the Berkeley Symphony is a distinct coup, as well as a mark of how far the orchestra has come in 25 years.

The program's centerpiece was the contemporary Russian composer Sofia Gubaidulina's Concerto for Symphony Orchestra and Jazz Band, written 20 years ago when Russia was still the linchpin of the Soviet sphere. That in itself makes the concerto pretty remarkable as the music seems to be the last word in "cool," bearing little of the empty fervor and surface patriotism that is often closely identified with the so-called Soviet tractor school of music.

Instead, Gubaidulina's music is a joyous and optimistic amalgamation of two separate-but-equal styles of music, as cellist Matthew Brubeck pointed out in brief remarks. With the buoyant participation of members of the Berkeley High and Cal State/ Hayward Jazz Bands, the jazz elements, floating over the secure tonalities of the orchestra, were an eclectic mix of everything from Miles Davis to improvisation.

As conservative as the music sounded to contemporary ears, it was probably pretty forward-looking for Russia in the '70s, differing vastly from the spiritual introspection that informs much of Gubaidulina's output as well. But with her sure grasp of voices, Gubaidulina makes it all sound quite right. The music has already served as foundation for two ballets. Wednesday's performance had all the elements of a larking good time.

The Berkeley and Hayward musicians then offered a New Year's postcard, an encore of solo riffs and improvisation on a tune never identified but with all the exhilarating marks of good vibrations.

The second half of the program was taken up entirely with Schoenberg's *Pelleas and Melisande,* Symphonic Poem for Large Orchestra, Opus 5. Written in the first years of the 20th century and inspired by the Maeterlinck drama that also bore musical fruit in the Debussy opera as well as incidental suites from both Faure and Sibelius, Schoenberg's score is a vast programatic canvas. Its broad emotional content and themes make it often sound like an opera, indeed it began life as sketches for an opera, but structurally, the work is symphonic in scope.

One can detect elements of the radical intellectualism that Schoenberg's music was later to take, but this "Pelleas" remains firmly rooted in the Viennese operatic camp of atmospheric mystery, lingering glances, cockeyed dances, extended chromatics, schmaltzy tunes and orgasmic climaxes. In other words, it's ripe to the bursting point. Nagano had a firm hand on all the episodic details, giving the music the grand shape and scope it wants and deserves.

# Lange

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public to this Record of Human Erosion. And here are some of the captions she sent to Washington to explain the photographs she made for the Farm Security Administration.

The collaboration with Taylor gave Lange's work a new purpose and a new audience, but the underlying artistic talent, above all her special sensitivity to body language, had developed during her years as a portraitist, though scarcely any of this is shown here. So when she turned to documenting the miseries of the Depression she could make the stance of a man seen from behind more expressive than his face would have been, and she could emphasize the dignity and determination of her subjects.

Particularly revealing are the contact sheets shown in a few cases here, more in the later work. Lange was not a skilled technician and it is possible to find fault with uneven exposures or poorly framed extra shots, but exhibiting this material shows how she proceeded. Snapping some people when she saw an expressive gesture or posture she would later extract the one figure who had caught her eye and crop the image closely for maximum effect. Some photographers would consider this cheating because at the moment of clicking the shutter she did not necessarily visualize the final picture, but such a purist doctrine collapses in the face of the best of this work. Powerful expression is the purpose and we must allow the artist her working method.

After war broke out Lange documented the terrible evacuation of Japanese-Americans from the Bay Area but very little of that work is shown here because that government project is not included in the Oakland archive. Then she went on to document various aspects of the home front, most notably the workers at the shipyards in Richmond.

This was the antidote to the Depression, for these people had good pay and the satisfaction of contributing to the war effort. A photograph from 1943, for which no title is recorded, shows a group coming off their shift; in the center a young woman is smiling joyfully, reaching out to her friends. This image of anonymous workers, communicating with us by body language, can be seen as emblematic for 1943, for by then the tide had turned. North Africa and Sicily were liberated, Mussolini had resigned, the Russians were advancing and the Japanese were being forced back.

After the war Lange photographed only intermittently, because of health problems, but in the '50s she undertook several photographic essays, two of which appeared in *Life*, though the most impressive one was canceled at the last minute. This focussed on a young lawyer who served as public defender in the Alameda County court house. Most of his clients were obviously guilty, but he saw to it that they received justice in fair legal proceedings. Lange followed these stories through consultations in the jail and hearings in the courtroom, recording the human issues at stake just as sympathetically as she had for the migrant laborers. Photographs, proof sheets, and even the aborted page mock-up for *Life* make this one of the most impressive features of the exhibition; there is also the unexplained anonymous publication of the story in Manila in 1960.

After that Lange accompanied Taylor as his work took him on prolonged travels in Asia; she made many photographs, but necessarily as an outsider. Considered individually many of these images are strong, but they are more self-consciously Art; they do not add up to the kind of intimate interpretation that we always feel in her American work.

The elegant hand gesture of an Indonesian dancer, seen in isolation, belongs in a museum exhibition, but it does not carry the human insight for which Lange is better known and admired.

*David Wright is a professor of art history at UC Berkeley.*

# Movies

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the life she wants, she asserts, despite regular beatings by her pimp (Julian Sands). Still, she finds the strength to leave the pimp and take control.

Cage and Shue play these doomed characters with a clarity and lack of pretension that raises *Leaving Las Vegas* above the level of melodrama.

The same can't be said of *Georgia,* which examines the love/ hate relationship between sisters Georgia (Mare Winningham), a successful folk-rock star, and her wannabe rocker sister, the self-destructive Sadie (Jennifer Jason Leigh).

Beneath Sadie's idolizing of her older sister lies deep envy and resentment of Georgia's success, not only in her career but in her private life: Georgia, married with two kids, has her life under control.

Sadie, by contrast, drifts from one one-night-stand — in both senses of the word — to the next, "singing" (she alternately whispers and screeches) to minimal audiences in bowling alleys and half-empty bars. Periodically, she runs home to Georgia for an infusion of money and a place to crash.

If Sadie can't recognize her lack of talent, she's equally clueless about the direction her life is going. "Things are going to break for me — there's not a doubt in my mind," she proclaims, just before she takes her first drink of the day — at 8 a.m. When Axel (Max Perlich), a naive young admirer, proposes, she accepts, even though she's not even sure what his last name is.

Jennifer Jason Leigh, tiny and with close-cropped hair, looks like a depraved child. She plays the part with a strangled voice and twitchy, out-of-control gestures; it's agonizing to watch her, especially performing an eight-minute-long rendition of Van Morrison's "Take Me Back."

Okay, you could say: Leigh is doing a take on this immature, self-conscious woman, determined to get attention whatever the cost. But her performance in *Mrs. Parker and the Vicious Circle* wan't much different. It's what some people mistake for acting, but I find it almost unwatchable.

Give me *Leaving Las Vegas* any day. And bottoms up!

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### Inspired by Ragtime

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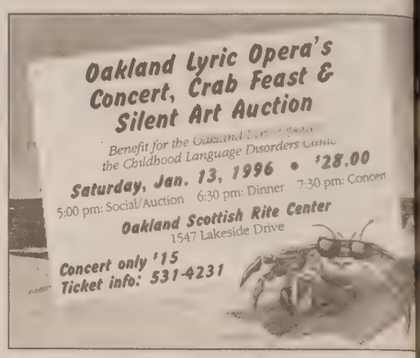
The newly formed organization Dramma Per Musica presents ... concert staging of Mozart's *Il Re Pastore* on Jan. 14, 5 pm, at Ber... John's Presbyterian Church. The cast will feature male soprano ... Wong as Aminta; soprano Beth Hatton as Elisa; soprano Judith ... Tamiri; tenor Colby Roberts as Alessandro; and tenor Ching ... Agenore. Warren Stewart conducts a period orchestra assembled ... Bay Area interpreters of 18th century repertoire.

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### Join the chorus

Music director Richard Kramer is auditioning singers for the Cos... Chorale during January at Monday evening rehearsals, 7 to 9:30 p.m. ... Community Church, 1422 Navellier, El Cerrito. Rides can be ar... rehearsal. Repertoire includes Bach's Cantata No. 4, Hanson's "S... the Desert," and Mathias' "Shakespeare Songs." For information, ca... 2026.




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eka Avenue residents ous about what the future or them and their property They urged the council to er setbacks in terms of where y lines actually are — a de- termination to be made at a future date.

One, for example, said she and her neighbors were quite willing to adapt to noises associated with families visiting burial plots when they were in their adjacent yards; setbacks too close, however, might mean dealing with that noise "while we're sitting in the living room," she said.

Many residents, including a few supporting a quick resolution of the setback issue and several opponents, expressed their appreciation of the peaceful quality of life inspired by living near the cemetery; a number chose their properties specifically because of the cemetery's proximity.

Council members did not discuss the issue at length. Each expressed his or her belief that the setback limitations were general zoning requirements, not dependent on where the property lines actually fall.

Council members voted unanimously in favor of the new setback, expressing their need to comply with the February court deadline but also expressing great empathy for those property owners who do not yet know where their true property boundaries lie.

The new setback requirements are accompanied by requirements for a landscape and screening plan when application for any grading permit is made by the cemetery. Screening will be designed to provide a visual separation between the cemetery and adjoining residential uses. A noticed public hearing will follow submittal of the plan.

### Other zoning changes

In another change to the zoning requirements, the Design Review Board may require a larger setback where existing trees or shrubs on adjoining residential properties need protection.

Accompanying the changes is a mitigation monitoring program that includes such elements as mitigations for burial vault construction noise.

The zoning amendment has only passed its first reading. It must still pass a second reading by the council.

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## School to hold information days

Tehiyah Day School, a Jewish community day school for grades K - 8, will hold two information days in January:

- **Thursday, Jan. 18** at 7:30 p.m. for elementary grades 1 - 5 and middle school grades 6 - 8.
- **Sunday, Jan. 21** from 10 a.m. - noon for Grades Kindergarten and 1.

The public is invited to meet our head of school and teachers, visit the classrooms and grounds, hear about our programs, and talk with other parents. Tehiyah is located at 2603 Tassajara Avenue, El Cerrito. For information or call the school at 233-3013.

# Dining and Entertainment



# Out and About

By Frosene Phillips

It's official. The Santa Fe Bar & Grill has a new owner. As of last week, Ahmad Behjati took command of the University Avenue establishment. Behjati is no stranger to Santa Fe, however. His association with the original owner, Faz Porsohi, dates back to the 80's. The acclaimed restaurateur enlisted Behjati's services in many of his operations over the years. Since Behjati eventually enjoyed a partnership as well as the duties of director of operations at Santa Fe, the transition seems a natural one.

The restaurant is located at the site of the old Santa Fe railroad depot which was established in 1904. The location became a restaurant in 1969 and continues to offer elegant charm and style.

One of the recent changes here has taken place in the kitchen. Chef Michael Rech has returned to the Bay Area from Atlanta after a six-year absence. Rech's relationship with the area goes back a long way and includes an eclectic array of responsibilities that range from the Biltmore Hotel to private clubs such as the Bohemian Club to hospital facilities and finally to teaching at San Francisco's California Culinary Academy.

It was the discovery of Chef Rech's association with the Mirabeau in downtown Oakland that touched me. For 20 years, this Oakland treasure offered fine dining at the Kaiser Center overlooking the garden. Known as Central Park for the past decade, the Mirabeau was a favorite spot of my late father Perry Phillips, Oakland Tribune columnist. While the flambe' dishes of the Mirabeau days are not to be discovered at the Santa Fe Bar & Grill, the experience and masterful touch of Chef Rech are.

Hailing from Frankfurt, Germany, where he also studied his profession, Chef Rech creates dishes that are well executed, fresh and distinctive. The Caesar salad is not overly laced with dressing but instead presented with hearts of romaine, delicate croutons and a perfect dressing without a heavy hand of garlic ($5.95). Gambas Catalan is a wonderful appetizer consisting of seared rock shrimp prepared with red pepper flakes, garlic and green onion in a very light flavorful wine/butter sauce ($4.95). Additional starters include smoked duck breast risotto with wild mushrooms and diced red bellpepper ($5.95), fried calamari with salsa and baby greens ($4.95) and gravlax - marinated salmon on baby greens served with a dill honey mustard ($5.50).

The entrees offer attention to presentation and feature such dishes as marinated lamb chops accented with sauteed Fuji apples, mushrooms and a cognac cream sauce ($17.95) and seared ahi tuna that has been peppered and is accompanied by grilled portobella mushrooms and mashed potatoes ($14.95). Smoked salmon pizza ($10.95), Italian sausage pizza ($10.95), salmon, chicken, New York steak and pasta dishes complete the menu which reflects seasonal offerings.

One more observation worthy of mentioning is the service. This is an area in the industry that has unfortunately declined over the years. If a foodserver ever wanted a lesson in accomplished service, then Mohammed Afrashet is the perfect mentor. His attention to detail, knowledge and instinct are refreshing in a day and age where these standards have become a luxury.

The Santa Fe Bar & Grill is located at 1310 University Ave. in Berkeley. A pianist offers musical touches nightly. For reservations call (510) 841-4740.

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**WEEKEND SCENE:** Tito Puente Latin Jazz Ensemble at **Kimball's East**...Ted Strong Orquesta Fuerte Friday and Cana Roja Saturday at **Kimball's Carnival**... Brazilian artists Claudia Villela and Weber Drummond Saturday at the **Maybeck Recital Hall**...Jim Brown at **Scott's**...Ken Kanikapila and Friends at the **Temple Bar**... Joel Harrison Duo Friday and Vince Wallace & Howard Barkin Saturday at **Daniel's in Albany**... Nob Hill Sounds Friday at the **Oakland Veterans Memorial Building** and Sunday at the **Piedmont Veterans Memorial Building**.

McCoy Tyner Quartet with Michael Brecker at **Yoshi's Nitespot**...Brenda Boykin Wednesday, Denise Perrier Thursday, Buddy Conner Friday with the Eddie Pasternak, Roger Glenn Duo at Gertrude Stein...Chester, Clay, McTwain Trio Saturday at the **Pacific Coast Brewing Co.**...Live music Thursday at **Coffee Head**...Terry Hanck & the Soulrockers Friday and Nitecry Saturday at **Brennan's**...John Turk at the **Ramada Inn**...Rhythm Sheiks Friday and Tattoo Blue Saturday at the **Baltic**...Latin dance party Friday and Ballroom dance party Saturday at the **ACB Ballroom**...Sister I Live Friday, Roots Awakening Saturday and Comedy with Dan the Pillowman Sunday at the **Paradise Bar & Grill**.

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**COMEDY SCENE:** Flip Orley **Tommy T's** San Ramon..."Comedy By the Bay" Wednesday at **Geoffrey's Inner Circle**...**SAN FRANCISCO:** Margaret Sho and Scott Silverman at the **Punch Line**...Laura Kightlinger at **Cobb's Comedy Club**.


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**Hello Goodbye:** Oops! Did I say last week that it would be Buffalo and the 49ers in the Super Bowl? Well, as Emily Litella used to say, "Never mind!"

So much for my career as a pigskin prognosticator.

But for me, the saddest news from the gridiron wasn't the Niners' loss. It was the forced retirement of Miami Dolphins coach Don Shula, a man who deserved a better end to his career.

In an era of great coaches — Walsh, Noll, Landry, *et al.* — The Big Fish was the greatest of them all.

He won with strong running teams and he won with strong passing teams. He won with teams that had good offense and no defense, and with teams that had good defense and no offense.

In the words of a rival coach, Bum Phillips, "He can take his'n and beat yours'n, or he can take yours'n and beat his'n."

And there's one other testimonial: A few years ago, Sports Illustrated polled the NFL players and asked them which coach they'd most like to play for.

Almost all of them named Shula.

I doubt you'd get the same answer from today's crop of pampered prima donnas, which just shows how much sports have degenerated in our time.

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Meanwhile, I'm also bummed by the retirement of my favorite politician: Edwin Edwards, the four-time governor of Louisiana.

Now, I've always had a soft spot for charming rogues. And Edwards is the biggest rogue of them all. (And that's saying a lot in a state that also produced Huey "Kingfish" Long and his brother Earl (who conducted an affair with stripper Blaze Starr in the statehouse).

What I like best about Edwards is that he's so brazen about it. His salary never paid more than $73,000 per year, yet he's retiring as a multi-millionaire. (He claims he made the money gambling in Las Vegas!)

He's been investigated by 22 different grand juries. He's been indicted on federal racketeering charges. But he's never been found guilty of anything.

Was he embarrassed by these scandals? Not for a second. His only comment was "The only way I'll ever be defeated is if I'm found in bed with a live boy or a dead girl."

And in the last election, when he ran against Ku Klux Klansman David Duke, he plastered the state with bumper stickers reading, "Vote for the crook. It's important."

Edwards is a classic example of Mr. Dooley's definition of an honest politician: "one who, when bought, stays bought."

He may be a crook, but I'll miss him.

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The third sad retirement is Justice Armand Arabian, who is stepping down next month from the California Supreme Court.

He's been labeled a conservative, but a closer look at his record shows he's actually been an independent thinker who refused to be pigeonholed.

He also deserves praise for refusing to do what so many other retired judges do — namely, raking in the big bucks by going into the lucrative field of private judging.

But mostly, I admire him for the dignified way he endured all the abuse he got during the Persian Gulf War.

It was an emotional time, and a lot of yahoos, who have probably never worn their country's uniform a day in their life, decided to demonstrate their "patriotism" by picking on any Arab they could find. (Never mind that there were more Arab countries on our side during that war than there were on the other side.)

Naturally, Judge Arabian became one of their favorite targets. He got hate letters, obscene phone calls — even death threats. But he handled them all with unfailing good humor and an utter lack of self-pity.

Of course, anybody with a brain in his head would have realized that "Arabian" isn't an Arab name at all. With an ending like "...ian," it can only be of Armenian derivation.

But that little fact never deterred the haters — assuming they were bright enough to know it, which I doubt.

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With all these departures, I'd like to celebrate a couple of returns. First, Doug Walker, co-owner (with his sister Dolly) of Walker's Pie Shop in Albany.

Doug is finally back at work, after undergoing a triple heart bypass operation a few months ago. Great to have you back, Doug!

And speaking of people in good shape, you might like to know that Joseph Charles, the Berkeley Waving Man, has been given a clean bill of health by his doctor. It was feared last month that he might have cancer, but the latest tests show he's clean as a whistle.

A great way to start the new year, don't you think?

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# Crime

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Friday afternoon did not seem particularly concerned about exposing themselves to crime.

"People tell me things happen and that I shouldn't walk here," said Denise Morraro, who accompanies her two sons home from Harding Elementary School on a daily basis. She said that although she knows other parents from the school who had their purses stolen on the path, she personally was not worried.

"Nothing has happened to me," she said.

Dora Devorak, a 70-year-old El Cerrito resident who was walking alone on the path on her way to the post office, said she avoids the path at night by walking on residential streets.

She said that although she feels nervous when passing small groups of young men loitering along isolated stretches of the path, she personally has never had any trouble.

One 13-year-old Kensington girl who uses the path to walk from St. John's to the Del Norte BART station said she also feels uncomfortable when passing groups of men along the path, but that she usually walks with a group of five friends.

Clark said the risk factor on the path could be reduced in a number of ways, including trimming back excess brush where potential attackers might hide, improving lighting along the path and use of the buddy system.

He also said that citizens who see any suspicious activity should feel free to call the police department, which does not mind investigating potential trouble.

One local group, the El Cerrito Crime Prevention Committee, is working closely with the police to help fight crime.

Lloyd Jung, a 34-year El Cerrito resident and chairman of the committee, said that the group meets regularly with police and organizes neighborhood watch program members patrol by automobile and report any activities.

Jung said that in addition to the neighbor patrols, the committee provides free home citizens to help prevent residential burglary committee's programs help neighbors get to kno on each other, and that the committee could alr members.

Joseph Levit, a member of the committee background in law enforcement, said that the "shows a flag" to any potential criminal elemen by maintaining a high profile and letting crimin someone out there is willing to call the police

Anyone interested in joining the El Cerrito vention Committee can call Lloyd Jung at 23

# Assembly

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professional for Proctor and Gamble and for Clorox until he started his own marketing firm in 1980.

He worked for the Bush administration as the Secretary of Labor's regional representative and now sits on Governor Pete Wilson's Job Training Coordinating Council.

### Dion Aroner

Aroner has been Tom Bates' Chief of Staff and is Chief Consultant to the Assembly Human Services Committee.

She made a case for electing some one who knows who's who, how the state budget works and how to get a bill through the legislative process.

Much of the legislation she has prepared while on Bates' staff has focused on family issues such as long-term care and children's mental health. With threatened roll-backs in environmental protection, health care, and education nationally, Aroner anticipates a similar agenda from republicans at the state level.

With her experience in Sacramento, Aroner said "I believe I can fight the right-wing and I can win."

Aroner's priorities are squarely in line with the democratic agenda: education, health care and the environment. She supports the public education system and spoke principally about the financial troubles of many of the school systems in the 14th district - with the exception of Albany.

She supports a single-payer health care plan, and plans to examine current models in Hawaii and Oregon.

Possibly sticking her neck out, Aroner also vowed to complete the East Bay Shoreline Park by the end of her six years in office, if elected.

### Robert Cheasty

Democrat Robert Cheasty, champion of the Solano Stroll and veteran of Albany's EQPP (earthquake preparedness) program, carved out his identity in this race as a family man. Although the other candidates mentioned their teenage and college age children, Cheasty cast himself as different from them because he has very young children. His campaign flyer sports a photo of himself with his young son dangling from his shoulders.

Cheasty's campaign focused on the changing state budget atmosphere via federal block grants. When the panel of candidates was asked about the possibilities for a multi-year state budget, Cheasty was the only candidate to quickly recognize how block grants would affect that prospect. All liked the idea of multi-year budgets, but Cheasty said that block grants would change the budget each and every year.

Standing before an audience of seniors, Cheasty zeroed in on what budget changes may mean to health care for older citizens. He promised to advocate to keep Highland Hospital and its trauma unit open.

Although more prevalent in Republican agendas, crime was the third priority voiced by Cheasty. He advocated neighborhood watch programs and a three-minute response time for 911 services

"We need to have communities where the police and neighbors work together . We need to have communities where people feel they have ownership in society," he said.

### Mark Friedman

Another Democrat with neighborhood appeal, Mark Friedman made his career in the non-profit sector. Friedman, from El Cerrito, highlighted his experience supporting labor, social justice and environmental programs. Although an admitted idealist, Friedman sees economic development as a key legislative priority.

Friedman's non-profit career has been dedicated, he said, to "creating more taxpayers and less tax recipients." Friedman believes social problems can only be solved by providing economic and educational opportunities.

He would like to see the economic pie expanded, he said, so that community services like senior centers will be kept alive

He supports a strong public school system and applauded Albany schools, but with a warning. With Prop. 13, he said, Sacramento has control over local budgets, impa future of Albany schools is in the hands of the S

Friedman is proud of his track-record buildin He pointed to his efforts to protect manufactu West Berkeley while protecting the community trial pollutants. He did not mention job statist correspond with his three years on the project, b that the proiect was a national model for sustai opment.

### Carla Woodworth

The final democratic candidate to sp Woodworth, also has a track record in buildin coalitions. Woodworth represents the Telegr neighborhood on the Berkeley City Council.

"About three years ago, we were having month," she said. "Finally the community said enough." Woodworth pointed to a 50 percent dr in her neighborhood which, she said, was a result together churches, homeless groups, University nia and other community groups.

Facing the six year squeeze imposed by t Woodworth sees legislative work in the State a "a different ballgame." She sets healthcare, educ transit as her key issues.

Also an advocate of the single payer health c Woodworth noted her support for Proposition 1 initiative which fared well in the East Bay bu popular in the state's southern districts. She also consumer health care bill of rights which is curre drafted by the California Nurse's Association.

Woodworth laments the decline of California school systems, although she did not put forwar plans for how to revive them.

Transit was a key issue for Woodworth. "Sen drag me into this issue," she said. She helped to fr AC Transit to find funding to bail out the struggli and sees public transportation as a service to your the disabled, seniors and to the environment.

# Baseball

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"In the regular season, you're there to have fun, to have a good time, to learn the fundamentals." Among other basics, he said, "you're teaching them how not to make a mental mistake."

Post-season, however, "you're playing to win."

While Paolini, who managed a team for nine years, places a strong emphasis on the fun of the game, there are those who question whether an orientation toward producing a top All-Star team influenced the board in its decision.

"It's obvious they're getting serious about All-Stars," said Ed Hammer, president of the board of the Tara Hills recreational baseball league.

As far as Hammer is concerned, "if you open up to major league lead offs and stretches, it would be a merry-go-round. The kids could run, run, run; playing would be a waste of time."

Hammer believes "you don't have the talent throughout the league to support that. Very few leagues (for example) can support six catchers to throw kids out from a 70-foot stretch."

The situation would make a steal from first to second absurdly easy, he believes.

Hammer added that, though "the option to try" the stricter rules at the younger age is open to anyone, he doesn't know of any league that does so. Neither does Bill Brizendine, vice-president of the hardball division of the Piedmont Baseball Foundation. In Piedmont, 11 year olds are introduced to the three main major league rules — lead-offs, pitcher with stretch, taking first when the catcher drops a third strike; major league distances between bases are not introduced until age 15.

He also said, "In sanctioned tournament play, they do have those rules, but with 60-foot baselines, it's pretty ridiculous to have the kids do that. With a 5- to 10-foot leadoff, it cuts the run to 50 feet. A kid would automatically have second base; that's kind of silly. At age 11 or 12, with a 70-foot base, it seems to even out."

Brizendine noted some move at the national level to encourage trying out the harder rules at age 9 rather than 11, but that "very few leagues play under those rules."

Little League and the Babe Ruth organization begin playing under those rules at age 13, he noted.

"The All-Star level can handle it; our players had fun in Sacramento," said Brizendine, who believes the Sacramento leagues do start younger in general. "If we tried to do that in normal play, a lot of kids would be lost."

Paolini doesn't see it that way; he believes coaching is the key.

"If we could teach (our adults) how to teach, it would really help.... Good coaches have the time and patience to help (the players) achieve their goal.

"We set aside $2,000 in our budget for manager and coach training; how many leagues do that?" he said. "It's important that a lot of these children get good coaching.

"Most coaches don't like changes, because they think it will affect their team's competition," said Paolini, adding that a rule introduced two years ago requiring that each player participate a minimum of three innings was opposed by managers at first but is now accepted.

He said that many of the adults involved get caught up in the heat of competition while the kids don't care so much about who wins or loses; they just like to play baseball.

According to Paolini, the new ruling has nothing to do with an orientation toward winning in All-Stars, though he did say that players in All-Star tournaments were at a disadvantage in not knowing how to hold a player on base in tournaments and need to "get into a rhythm."

"The attitude of the adults involved are responsible for the changes made," Paolini said.

**Concerned coaches and others will address the board on the issue at its regular meeting Wednesday night, Jan. 17, at the Poinsett Park clubhouse at 7 p.m.**

"For the last two years we have had some problems with managers in Mustangs," he said, referring to one problem as "interpretation of 'play in progress,' a judgement call that may be made by a youth umpire and argued down by the adults in charge.

"We have 13 and 14 year old umpires," he said. "You can imagine they were intimidated by the adults, and sometimes they backed down in determining play in progress. The (runners) were stealing the games blind."

According to Paolini, the kids were already "discouraged and frustrated" last year, with so much stealing going on.

In addition, he said, managers had a tendency not to play by the established rules, shaking hands on a "no stealing" policy before an individual game.

"They don't have the option to do that," Paolini said, adding that, in the end, "the board had to eliminate stealing altogether or initiate the rule we initiated."

As far as physical stress is concerned, he said, "a kid won't go out and pitch until he's ready. Most (adults) want to win, they don't want to take a kid and help him."

Paolini believes the number of pitches made is a much more important argument in discussions of physical stress on a player's arm. The league's rules address that, he believe, since no player can pitch more than six innings per week. (Those who pitch three innings or more can't pitch again for 40 hours; those who pitch two or less must wait for 16 hours.)

He also noted that kids often try to play by major league rules in pickup games. In one All-Star game last player demonstrated great skills in that area have them in informal games, he said.

Paolini strongly hopes managers and coache ticipate in a clinic the association is offering next

Leading the pitching clinic, however, is D assistant coach for UC Berkeley's baseball team himself strongly opposed to beginning the ma rules so early.

For a number of years, Lawn has coached 7th D for UC Berkeley's summer baseball camps; he di at the University of Nevada. He also played in ev P.O.N.Y. baseball in El Cerrito, "when playing ba very popular in the city." He made the All-Star year and also played for El Cerrito High Schoo watches his own nephew play in his hometown

"When I first heard pitchers (would be) requir out of... the stretch, my first thought was, why?" s "When they started talking about All-Stars, I kn Lawn believes that developing physical skills perception make starting the rules at age 9 inappr addition, he believes that only "really good coa spend a lot of time with the kids and want to help transition" can do the job with young children frequently not the case with a mother or fath volunteering limited time, he said.

"I held a clinic last month, and quite a fe gentlemen hadn't ever played baseball when young," he said. "It's hard enough just to get organized, and on the field in uniform — at the ri the right field, ... (aside from) these pretty intricat

Lawn also challenged the assumption that be "play around with the stretch position" in inform games means they can actually do it.

"I coach at the college level, and I know the sk 9 and 10 year olds as well as I know the skill level players," he said. "It's not a good thing. They need at the basic elements of the game: catch, play."

Paolini was against the change "at first" and vo it in the rules committee. He now says, however easier to teach at an earlier age, before they have any bad habits. They need to be taught the right fu tals — and to be brought in slowly."

The whole question, said Paolini, revolves a right time to introduce this to a child.

"I haven't heard any really good arguments a the best time is to do it."

Greenstein, who coached both All-Stars and for two years with his son, believes the board too way out and that the new ruling "will ruin the wh

"There was some problem last year with peopl a conflict about delayed steals," he said, adding unclear what delayed steals are. "The board's job a decision. Whatever they have as a stealing rule, th adopt one and use it. Don't ruin the whole game.

# Villa

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race up and down the street in their cars at all hours of the night.

Haiganoush Preisler, who lives next door to Mariz and has been fighting to close the motel for the past ten years, said that she "tried not to think about" the prostitution and drug sales there.

Priesler, who attended a meeting in June in which the RCD proposal was presented to the public, said that every time she heard police reports about the motel, the amount of illegal activity was worse than she thought.

Some neighbors of the motel, though, were less than ecstatic about it going out of business.

Gary Cook, who also lives across the street, said he was not bothered by the activities there and expressed dissatisfaction with the proposed housing project.

"They're asking for more of the same," he said, referring to his concern about crimes being committed by residents of the project.

The manager of the Aamco shop next door to the motel expressed similar concerns. He said he was worried about cars the shop parks on the street being broken into or stolen, and said he felt the police had railroaded the motel's owner out of business.

The motel was closed as a result of two sting operations conducted in Dec. 1994 and Jan. 1995. A citation was issued for renting a room to undercover officers without obtaining valid identification, and numerous drug busts were made.

The motel's use permit was then revoked in June, 1995 by the City Council. The motel's owner, Charlie Patel, was given 90 days to close up shop, although he continued operating his business until the beginning of 1996. Had Patel refused to leave, a court order would have been obtained.

Palmini, who was one of the undercover officers involved in the sting operations, said that rock cocaine, heroin and methamphetimine were regularly available at the motel, and that both juveniles and out-of-towners would go there to purchase drugs. He said that in one night the police made a half dozen drug-related arrests.

Murdo said that both drug sales and prostitution have been going on at the motel for decades, and that Patel, who bought the motel in 1990, was offered ample opportunity to alter the behavior of his guests.

"Things were occurring at such a level that no reasonable person could have asserted they were not aware of happening," he said.

Murdo said that drug sales were so commo night after a sting operation had been conducted in street clothes returned to the property to pick up when he was asked by a Walnut Creek man of h methamphetimine for sale. The officer returned t station, got the man his drugs, sold them to him, th him.

Another example of the amount of illegal act motel, according to Murdo, was a 1987 mid-day sting that had to be closed down after an hour bec sheer volume of arrests. He said that a dozen pe arrested, including two ministers, before the oper overwhelmed.

Murdo also said that methamphetimine label found in guest's rooms.

City Attorney Robert Zweben said it was itous" that Albany was able to revoke the motel's without going to court. He said Patel "went agre dragging his feet," and that such actions by a city often met with much greater resistance.



Lowell Cohn

## We'll still have Barbieri to kick around — good

I am writing in praise of KNBR sports talkshow host Ralph Barbieri. Some of you are probably pleased. Others, I suppose, are turning red in the face with anger. Let me say from the start I like Barbieri. His show is terrific and he's an honest guy, a standup guy. The very idea of Barbieri makes you angry, that proves he's a presence, that he matters to you.

I phoned him at home recently because it said in the newspaper that he'd reached a verbal agreement to remain at KNBR two more years even though he had flirted with the idea of leaving, maybe doing a show unrelated to sports. But he decided to stay. KNBR gave me everything I wanted. My mother is here. I'm a native San Franciscan and I'm entering older (50)." He ended up telling me the story of his life, which I want to share with you.

After he graduated from USF with a degree in political science, he flew to Europe even though he hadn't been in a plane before, even though he'd never wandered east of Reno. He went for what he thought would be three months and ended up staying a year. One night sitting on a hilltop in Sweden he had an epiphany. He wanted to be rich and famous. So he applied to the University of Pennsylvania and got accepted to business school. "I was attending classes two weeks before I even knew it was in the Ivy League," he said.

After he earned his MBA, he joined a New York ad agency, gray flannel suit, the whole uniform. "I really hated it," he said. "I felt like a total liar for Schick, writing about how this hunk of metal is better than another hunk of metal. I was good at it, a good bullbleep artist." That phase of his life lasted 15 months. Then he quit. He got into his car, a Mustang California special, and headed west, into what he perceived as the unknown. He was frightened and at times found himself crying. On the other hand, he was blasting his 8-track stereo and he felt free and he took off his shirt. "That was when I was still skinny enough to look good."

So he returned to the Bay Area, rented a cottage in Mill Valley and didn't work for a year and a half. He got into Eastern philosophy, meditated, thought deep thoughts and decided that everything to which he'd aspired was totally meaningless.

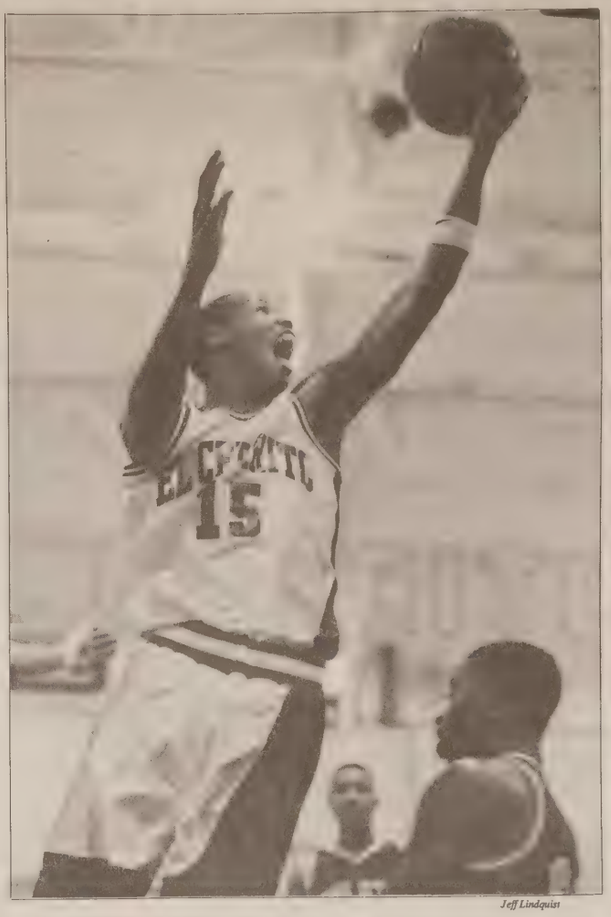
And now comes a key moment in the chronology — drum roll please. It's our first sign of the emergence of the current Ralph, the guy, the imagination, the chutzpah. He read in the newspaper that the Portland Trailblazers would be in Oakland to play the Warriors. Hmmm. That made him think of Bill Walton, who was having a terrible time in his rookie season and just happened to be totally counter-culture, into Eastern philosophy, in other words, a Ralph Barbieri mate.

Ralph Barbieri wrote a fan letter, telling Walton not to worry if no one understood him. He drove to the Blazers' hotel, plopped himself in a chair in the lobby and waited three hours for the team to show up. It was like a scene from a flick, "Ralph, the Movie, Part One."

When Walton walked in, Barbieri stepped up and handed him the letter. Walton was so touched he invited Barbieri to dinner, then gave him his phone number in Portland.

Of course, Barbieri called. Should he write an article about Walton? Sure, come on up. Barbieri lived with Walton for a few weeks gathering material,

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Jeff Lindquist

Jamar Cotright, El Cerrito's leading scorer this season, soars to the basket against a flat-footed St. Joseph defender Tuesday night. The game was later forfeited by the Gauchos because of a fight which resulted in three EC players being suspended for a week.

# 3 suspended EC players to miss one more game

**By John Gardella**

Despite playing without three suspended players Tuesday — two starters and the sixth man because of a fight last Friday with St. Joseph — El Cerrito High thrashed Piedmont at home, 83-42, in an Alameda-Contra Costa Athletic League contest.

"It was probably the best game we've played thus far," coach Chris Huber said. "It was nice to see the kids step up. We were able to control things."

EC (9-7, 1-1) committed only three turnovers against Piedmont (6-7, 0-2). The Gauchos controlled the momentum from the start, jumping out to a 21-8 first-quarter lead. They held Piedmont to single-digit scoring in each of the first two quarters and led, 43-17, at the half. Jamaal Bennett and Jamal Jones led the Gauchos with 16 points each. Jones also added 11 assists and 4 rebounds. Mike Seals and Kirby Harrison had 14 and 12 points, respectively.

Jones, a point guard, played one of his best games of the season. The first-year varsity junior has been erratic at times, but Huber is confident Jones will develop consistency.

"The mark of a very good player is someone who is consistent," Huber said. "In time Jamal will find that consistency. He's a very good player."

The week-long player suspensions (the players will also sit out Friday's home game against Richmond) was a result of a shoving match between two players in the St. Joe game which escalated into a brawl involving spectators and players.

Coaches and security ended the incident, which occurred in front of the bleachers on the east end of the gym, but not before two St. Joe players required medical attention. One player's teeth were loosened and the other needed four stitches on a cut under his right eye.

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Officials decided to call the game, and St. Joe, which at the time enjoyed a 64-40 lead with 5:11 remaining, won on a forfeit.

After the melee, Huber discussed possible player suspensions.

"Players must be suspended," he said. "We can't let a situation like this just slide by. I don't want the school to have that kind of image, were a team has to be afraid to come to EC. Sports are supposed to be fun and competitive. I wouldn't want my family coming to a game like this."

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# Berkeley's Shavaki Jackson gets motivated

**By David Martindale**

Sometimes even the best athletes need a little motivation from their coaches. Such was the case with Berkeley High's Shavaki Jackson.

After what Yellowjackets' coach Gene Nakamura deemed to be a lackluster performance by Jackson in Berkeley's 55-51 win over College Park last Saturday, he sat his 6-3 center down and gave her a talking to.

Jackson responded with a huge performance Tuesday night, leading the Berkeley girls basketball team to a 72-44 win over Carondelet in the Bay Valley Athletic League opener for both teams. Her 26 points and 18 rebounds were both game-highs, and Jackson added six blocked shots for good measure.

"I had a talk with Shavaki," said Nakamura. "Sometimes it takes a kick in the butt, but that's what I'm expecting from her: 20-plus points and about five blocks a game."

Jackson scored just seven points against College Park and Nakamura thought she was getting a bit lazy, not something he wanted to encourage with BVAL play about to begin.

"She's got a lot of ability. She's a great athlete, she's not just tall. She needs to take advantage of her skills and the opportunities she gets," Nakamura said.

Jackson had plenty of opportunities against a much smaller Carondelet. The Cougars were able to hang with Berkeley through the first quarter, but after Merci Amarant's free throw brought Carondelet to within two points with 6:05 remaining, Berkeley went on an 18-0 run to break the game open.

Jackson poured in eight points, mostly from the paint and Deonna Sayles added six more as the Jackets built a 32-12 lead.

"Our offense has got to get going quicker," said Nakamura, whose team made just five of 20 shots in the first quarter. "In the first quarter our defense created our offense. In the second quarter we started to play like we're supposed to, our offense created our offense."

The lead bulged to 25 points in the third quarter before Carondelet was able to respond. With Jackson on the bench, the Cougars scored eight straight points and added three more to cut the lead to 48-34. Then it was Tejuanya Tolbert time.

Tolbert scored Berkeley's next nine points to give the Jackets a 57-36 lead and put the game out of reach. Tolbert finished with 13 points. Deonna Sayles added 12. Kim Kennedy led Carondelet with nine.

The win improved Berkeley's record to 11-4 and 1-0 in the BVAL. Carondelet fell to 6-7 and 0-1.

"This is a good win to establish ourselves in the league," Nakamura said. "It sends a message to the other teams, but I know they'll be ready for us, they always are."

The Yellowjackets faced College Park in their final preseason contest. Tiffany Green led the way with 17 points as Berkeley took advantage of 29 turnovers by the Falcons.

"They played a pretty good game, but we just wore them down and they became sloppy and unsure of themselves," Nakamura said.

The Falcons seemed to know what they were doing for most of the first half, thanks in large part to Monika Roberts. The Falcons' center scored 11 of her 17 points in the first 16. She also finished the game with 15 rebounds.

"Roberts had a huge game. In the first quarter she scored on everything," said Nakamura.

The Yellowjackets return home tonight to face Antioch.

# AHS' Preisler does her damage control

**By Gray Cathrall**

Vanessa Preisler did her usual offensive damage for the Cougars, and this time the victim was Holy Names.

Scoring two goals in the second half, Preisler provided more than enough firepower for Albany's soccer team, as it shut out the Monarchs, 3-0, on Monday.

Holy Names (0-3) helped Albany's cause by allowing a goal eight minutes into the game when Annie Izaki's corner kick was tapped back in by a Monarchs defender.

Preisler cemented the win with a goal at the 22-minute mark of the second half, scoring from 20 yards out on a deflection off the side post. Izaki assisted on her second goal, another corner kick that floated to the middle of the box where Preisler adeptly did a one-touch and flicked in past the goalie.

"Vanessa did a good job finishing on her shots," noted coach Della Martinez. "The score could have been higher; we had several other chances, but we'll take the win."

Goalie Elizabeth Watty needed only two saves to complete the shutout, and fullback Robin Ball helped anchor the impeccable defense. With Izaki and Jenny Graves controlling the midfield, nearly the entire game was played in the Monarchs' zone.

"We moved the ball around nicely, and Annie and Jenny complement one another. I was real pleased with the teamwork. They incorporated what we've been working on in practice," said Martinez.

Albany (2-1) faces rival El Cerrito tomorrow at Cougar Field.

"It'll be a big game," Martinez said. "They beat us, 2-1, last year. We're looking forward to changing that this year."

# Gauchos get a win, confidence

**By Gray Cathrall**

After laboring through a winless preseason, El Cerrito's soccer team under coach Fred Gonzalez started the new year with two precious commodities: a win and some self-confidence.

Both arrived with Friday's 3-0 win over Berean Christian. The Gauchos had to adapt to Berean's truncated field, relying on a short passing game. Midway through the first half, Daniel Peterson scored on a free kick that sailed high to the top bar and just flicked off the goalkeeper's hands into the net.

Going into the second half with a 1-0 lead was heady stuff for Gonzalez. "That didn't happen

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Jeff Lindquist

## Crushed Cougars continually get kicked

Indicative of the way Albany's soccer season has been going thus far — Bishop O'Dowd's Eric Mandan gets to the ball first and takes it away from the Cougars' Evan Pippen, right, last week in Oakland. Albany lost, 6-0, in the opener of the Alameda-Contra Costa Athletic League season. The Cougars are now 0-8 overall, and 0-1 in the ACCAL.

# Albany girls' approach to basketball — novel

By David Martindale

The first week of Alameda-Contra Costa Athletic League play was a tale of two cities for the Albany High girls basketball team. It was the best of times, and it was the worst.

Actually, the worst of times came first as the Cougars were shellacked by St. Elizabeth, 92-27, in their ACCAL opener last Friday. But on Tuesday, the Cougars came right back and pounced on Salesian, 49-33, to even their record at 6-6 (1-1 ACCAL).

Charles Dickens would have loved it, Albany coach David DeHart would like a little more consistency.

Albany, showing no ill effects from its rough night at St. Elizabeth came out running against the Chieftans. The Cougars parlayed four Salesian turnovers into quick scores and staked themselves to an 11-0 lead in the first five minutes.

Salesian was shut out until Shannon McKinley hit a short jumper with four seconds remaining in the first quarter. It would be another 4:34 until Salesian connected on its next field goal, and by that time the Cougars held a commanding, 20-4 lead.

Veronica Cursh was at the head of Albany's charge. Cursh had 13 points by the intermission as Albany went into the locker room ahead, 28-10.

"Veronica really hustles," DeHart said. "She's one of my fastest and quickest players."

The big lead was a relief to DeHart after the pounding his team took in its previous game. The advantage allowed him to rotate a lot of his reserves into the action in the third quarter.

"I played the subs a lot," he said. "I give them a lot of playing time to get them to hustle."

Albany's lead grew to 34-10 before Salesian started to claw its way back. The Chiefs scored the last nine points of the third quarter as Albany had problems controlling the ball with Cursh on the bench.

The Cougars finished the game with 22 turnovers. Salesian lost the ball 32 times to Albany's harassing defense.

"We need to play tough defense. We work on our defense a lot. Sometimes we have a tough time shooting so we focus on defense," DeHart said.

Albany's defense forced turnovers of all kinds: shot clock violations, wildly errant passes, lane violations. The Chiefs were rattled for most of the first half.

"This was a much better result," DeHart said, comparing his team's first two league games. "We need to be competitive against these teams, teams we can beat."

Cursh finished the game with 18 points and April Johnson added 12 for Albany. Salesian (5-10, 0-2) was led by the duo of Precious and Princess Hill who each scored six points.

To say the Cougars had a hard time against St. Elizabeth would be an understatement. After hanging with the Mustangs in the first quarter, the Cougars did not have the legs to keep up. St. Elizabeth turned a four point lead into a 35-point rout by half

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Paul finished the game 16 points. Lashaunda Hi a game-high 25 points Mustangs

"We just broke DeHart said. "They kep ing and we threw the ball and broke down a num times."

The Cougars were sch to face Bishop O'Dowd Oakland.

## St. Elizabeth's win just 'a fluke'

By John Gardella

St. Mary's High basketball coach Jose Caraballo may want keep some Dutch Boy handy because Tuesday's Alameda-Contra Costa Athletic League opponent, St. Elizabeth, spent so much time in the paint, the keys could probably use a new coat.

The Mustangs (14-2, 2-0 ACCAL) hit just one perimeter shot — a first quarter 3-pointer by Paul Norris — the entire game and still managed to annihilate the Panthers, 89-56. It was St. Mary's league opener.

"We were outplayed," Caraballo said of his team's third consecutive loss. "It's as simple as that."

Bob Howard, St. Elizabeth's coach, said he didn't expect the score to be this one-sided. "We figured it was their league opener and they'd be up for it. We thought if we could keep it close going into the fourth quarter that we'd have a shot. This was a fluke, but I'm happy to get the win."

The Panthers were never able to get in sync, committing a slew of turnovers, shooting air balls — even from the free-throw line — and playing a porous defense. Every Mustang scored, led by Keith Johnson's 25 points. St. Mary's will try to redeem itself tonight at home against Salesian. Drop cloths and paint brushes may be on hand.

## Strategy backfires on Albany coach Kagawa

Seeing his team overmatched by St. Elizabeth last Friday, Albany High's boys basketball coach Doug Kagawa tried to use some strategy to get the Cougars back into the game.

Trailing, 21-15, after the first quarter, Albany went to a spread offense in hopes of cutting into the Mustang's lead.

The gambit backfired on Kagawa as St. Elizabeth pushed the cushion to 13 points and held on for a 67-54 victory in the Alameda-Contra Costa Athletic League contest.

"We can't go head up with people so we tried to spread the court," Kagawa said. "St. Elizabeth is a tough team and we were no cake walk for them. We were competitive, so I was pleased."

Kagawa can also be pleased about the return to health of star guard Vincent Chooi. Chooi is almost all the way back from an injury to the arch of his right foot. He put in 15 points against the Mustangs, including all three from behind the 3-point arc. Tony Hernandez added 13 points for Albany.

That combination was no match for St. Elizabeth's Keith Johnson and Torrence Spencer. The pair combined for 38 points to lead the way for the Mustangs.

But it wasn't only Johnson and Spencer who killed the Cougars. They helped bring about their own demise by committing 27 turnovers. St. Elizabeth lost the ball only 15 times.

"I told the team that if we hadn't turned the ball over 12 more times than they did we would have been in it. If you score three or four more times instead of turning the ball over that makes a difference," said Kagawa.

The loss dropped Albany to 3-12 and 0-1 in ACCAL play. The Mustangs are 12-2, 1-0. Albany was scheduled to play at Salesian Wednesday.

*—David Martindale*

## Suspended

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After a meeting between players and the school's principal, Paul Daniels, it was announced that three players would be suspended. Huber asked that the players identities be withheld.

Tuesday's game vs. Piedmont was played with the bleachers at both ends of the court closed off to spectators.

The crowd was sparse, however, and everyone was well behaved.

While Huber said he hoped the bleachers would remain closed for the rest season, EC's athletic director Milo said the situation would to be evaluated for each game.

"You h look at that may be big draws," said. "St. J is probably next big o we expect turnout we have to ope section up."

EC play next two g home a Richmond Encinal on day.

After th Gauchos play at again until 13 agains Mary's.

### 'Security was fine'

El Cerrito's first game following last Friday's free-for-all with St. Joe had no ugly overtones Tuesday. Roping off the seating behind the baskets helped prevent any similar disturbance, but playing host to Piedmont, 0-2 in league, helped even more. The Gauchos fans were small in number, and Piedmont brought almost no fans other than parents. "There wasn't even a hint of a problem," said Piedmont basketball coach Mike Herrerias. "The security was fine. There was a presence there."

*—Gray Cathrall*

## Gauchos

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much during preseason," he said. "We were pretty pleased to have a lead."

Danny Ursini made sure his team's lead wasn't an aberration. Twenty minutes into the second half, he scored EC's second goal off a nice crossing pass from halfback Alex Drago. Xongdeth Chaymony broke the game open on a breakaway, outrunning Berean's defenders and flicking the ball past the off-balance keeper.

The flirtation with winning was brief as Piedmont came to town Monday and rolled out a 3-0 win. With only 30 seconds left in the first half, the Highlanders scored their first goal, then scored two more in a 5-minute burst early in the second half.

In its opening game of the ACCAL season EC lost, 3-1, to Salesian. Chaymony gave the Gauchos a temporary 1-0 lead, scoring on a breakaway less than 10 minutes into the game. But just before halftime, the Chieftains tied it. Awarded a direct kick, they kicked the ball past EC's keeper before the defense could react.

"Considering that our guys were off for two weeks and were playing after just one day of practice, they did just fine," said Gonzalez. "I liked the way they played."

The reality is that El Cerrito has had to rebuild in a major way, losing all five all-league players from last year, including the top scorer.

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## Cohn

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then went back to Mill Valley, wrote his heart out for two months and published the article in *Sport Magazine*.

Not long after that, the FBI came knocking on Barbieri's door. Walton, you see, lived with Jack Scott, who was floating around the country with Patty Hearst. The FBI was willing to pay Barbieri to go back to Walton's and spy on him. Barbieri told the FBI to take a hike.

Seeing that nerve and ingenuity paid off, Barbieri tried to break into radio, actually was a guest on KNBR. But the program director told him, "Your voice sucks. Go see a speech therapist." The therapist told Barbieri his voice was nasal, too high-pitched and he had a slight lisp. Barbieri figured that was way too much to fix in one lifetime, so he decided the hell with it, and went to Hawaii for 4-1/2 years, where he held various jobs, but mostly just enjoyed himself.

Finally, he got a radio job in Hawaii for three bucks an hour, then made his way back to San Francisco, where he auditioned as a talkshow host on KNBR, but didn't get the job. "I'm afraid of you. I never know what you'll say," the program director told him. That still makes Barbieri laugh. "When I started out I was perceived as outrageous," he told me. "Now I'm darn near dignified."

Even though KNBR didn't want him as a host, the station allowed him to do sports reports. ("The Giants are trailing 3-zip in the seventh.") "I couldn't help it," he said. "Pretty soon, I started giving opinions." By 1989 he had his own show.

He is a superb interviewer, gets virtually every bigname sports figure who comes to the Bay Area. He is also — and I've thought hard about these adjectives — sensitive, smart, honest, blunt, sentimental and passionate.

He's the only one I know who's gotten Steve Young to speak about a car accident that took place in college. Young was driving during winter break, turned the wheel over to a friend, who crashed the car and was killed.

"Steve was clearly surprised I knew about it," Barbieri told me. "He talked about how death gave life more meaning. I remember his last line. He said, "And that's just the shallow end of it,' meaning, "I could go on, but I won't.' "

So that's Barbieri's story and I'm glad he'll be around for at least two more years.

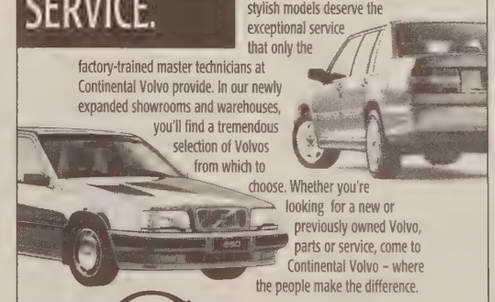
He always gets criticized, but that's because he has strong opinions.

"There's not much more anyone can do to vilify me," he said. "It sets me free. I prefer to be liked, but I don't go that far out of my way to get that. Half the people like me and half hate me, but most listen."

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## A house is just a box

It took years before it occurred to me, but I finally started thinking about houses as boxes: four sides, the lid one bottom joined together. I don't know why it took me so long before I thought of this. It seems so much easier to understand houses now that I have. I hold in my mind the simple picture of a cardboard box.

A box, let's say, that I would use to ship something to a friend. I pick a fairly heavy cardboard box, one with sides that will not easily cave in. I reinforce the seams with strapping tape. I'm assuming that no one will stand on top of my package during its journey; the package will probably be flung about some but should hold up fine.

I chose a folding type box, which will likely fare better than one I might have constructed from separate pieces of cardboard. The parts of such a box would have to be cut and fitted just right; the seams brought together and fastened securely, or the whole structure would be shaky.

You've got the picture. Now think of houses as boxes. The houses we are most familiar with are usually built on a concrete base, the foundation. Concrete is a strong material, fairly impervious to water damage. Holes are dug and the concrete is placed so that it is made stronger by the earth around it.

Then pieces of wood called sills are attached to the concrete; the walls are attached to the sills. Roof rafters are added to the tops of the walls; then the roof.

The exterior of the house box is sometimes covered with stucco, sometimes wood. Insulation and waterproof paper are often sandwiched between the layers to help keep the cold and rain out. Sometimes plywood shear walls are added to give strength to the corners.

The top of the box, the roof, which may be covered in various materials, should keep water from leaking into the house: if it is put on correctly and if all the places where the pieces come together are tight.

There are openings in the box: doors, windows a chimney and vents to allow people to enter and leave, to see outside, to let in light and to get smoke and gases out of the house. The openings will work well if they are sealed, if there are no holes around them.

Those are the elements of the basic house box. If the materials were good and the pieces were fitted well and securely; if no "giant" sits on the whole thing (high winds, earthquakes or streams running underneath), then it's a fine box.

Most houses also contain systems to provide warmth and comfort for the people who live in them: pipes that carry hot and cold water, wires that move electricity, some type of heating system and plumbing fixtures.

There are usually appliances for cooking and for keeping food cold, machines for washing and drying dishes and clothes. There are closets and cabinets for storing belongings and partitions with doors between them that divide the inside of the house for different activities.

Dazzling extras can be added, too. Electrically operated skylights, for example, or air conditioning, vacuum systems and built-in furniture; movie screens that automatically roll up, even indoor swimming pools with flowing waterfalls. But these are extras. They do not make up for a basic box that may be lacking

See why thinking of a house as a box is helpful? It puts things in perspective. What you want is a good box; one that will last and is comfortable to spend time in. It sits solidly on its spot. It won't sink or float off when it's wet. Its sides and corners won't bend or buckle. In-

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## Award to Creative Spaces



Oakland general contractor Creative Spaces recently returned from the Custom Home Design Awards in New Orleans with the Grand Award for a custom designed kitchen in Piedmont.

"The competition attracted close to 200 entries and included some of the most beautiful custom awards in the country," said company founder Michael Muscardini."

Custom Home Magazine said that Muscardini brought light and life to a formerly dark, dated corner of the house; the transformation of a 1950s kitchen was dramatic.

## Rates fall again

In its latest interest-rate survey released Thursday, January 4, 1996 the Federal Home Loan Mortgage Association (Freddie Mac) announced that the nationwide average for 30-year fixed rate mortgages was 7.02 percent, down from the 7.23 percent average the previous week.

Lenders were asking an average of 5.46 percent for the initial rate of an adjustable rate mortgage, down from 5.55 percent last week.

Rates on the 15-year fixed, a popular option in the refinance market, averaged 6.56 percent, down from 6.65 percent the previous week.

On December 29, 1995, the Federal Home Loan Bank Board pegged the 11th District Cost-of Funds Index (COFI) for January payments at 5.119 percent, up from the 5.116 percent that was in effect for December payments.

The COFI, which is the index widely used by the savings and loan industry for its adjustable rate mortgages, is set monthly by the Federal Home Loan Bank Board on the last working day of the month at 3 p.m. and remains in effect for the entire following month.


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High quality traditional home. 5 bedrooms, 5++ baths. Wonderful guest room. Desirable Claremont Pines. Dian Hymer/George Karsant

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3-BRIDGE VIEW!.....$569,000
Fabulous contemporary. 4++BD, 4BA. Family room, over 1/4 acre lot. Many upgrades. Vicky Faulk

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| 2323 HOWE | BERKELEY | 1+BR/1BA | $183,000 | THE LONGS |
| 1537 ADDISON | BERKELEY | 2BR+STUDIO | $179,000 | NANCY REICHERT |
| 1412 8TH ST | BERKELEY | 2BR/1BA | $159,000 | MELISSA EIZENBERG |
| 2640 REGENT | BERKELEY | 1+BR/1BA | $139,000 | DIANE VERDUCCI |
| 390 PORTHOLE | HERCULES | 2BR/2BA | $119,900 | KAREN DANRICH |
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# Tarpoff...

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side it is warm, good light comes in and there are no leaks.

Houses are boxes that we go into and live. We close the door to our box and we are warm and dry and we can sleep. And wild animals can't get in.

What would it have been like, I wonder, to have been a pioneer, hot and dusty and sore, coming across the plains, going into the unknown? Out there in the middle of somewhere, friends and family left behind, maybe never to be seen again. Dealing with marauders and broken wagon axles, rapidly running rivers to cross, boring food.

I know that if I had been a pioneer, if we'd managed to get to a new land, chosen a spot on which to settle down, I'd be the one dying to make a new house. as we approached that certain clearing, I'd leap from the wagon looking for materials. Rocks, maybe, to pile up. Or trees to cut down. I want a shelter,a place to go into and close against the outside.

We could scoop out a hole in the earth and line it with rocks, then add a roof. Some people do that. But probably we'll use the trees: select and fell them, remove the branches, cut them up and join them together in some fashion.

It would be hard work. It would take a lot of time. Even after we make the sides of our box, we'll need a lid and a bottom. We'll have to have a door, a way to get in and out, and at least one opening, a window, so we can look out once we are inside.

I hope we didn't choose a spot in snow country. We fixed a place for a fire, used rocks to make a spot to burn wood for warmth and for cooking. we cut a hole in the roof, but it's smoky and chilly and dark in here.

Too bad we don't have a sink with running water, a soft carpet, glass in our window, lights to read by... silicone caulk in a disposible tube or a roll of good strapping tape.

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*I want to plant low maintenance shrubs. Do you have any suggestions?*

A There are so many plants to choose from. It is difficult to recommend which ones because of the different variables in your particular location. Such variables include: how tall you would want them to grow, would they be planted in sun or shade and how big is the area in question. I recommend talking to certified nursery persons at your local garden center and once they have this information, they can help you make some choices. It would also be beneficial to make a drawing to scale, take a few pictures of the area and bring those with you to the nursery.

*Q: Every year, as soon as our peaches get to a good size and are still green, the squirrels eat them (which also causes a problem for our golden retriever because he tries to eat the pits). The squirrels get to our tree by way of a fence, which is brushing up against the tree. In the four years we've been here, never once have we gotten a ripe peach! How can we prevent this?*

A: The only remedy I can think of is to cover the tree with tree netting. Cover the foliage and bring the netting down and around the branches to prevent the squirrels from climbing under the netting. Keep adjusting the netting so the new growth doesn't get tangled in it.

*Q: My problem is our heavy-producing 35 year-old apple tree. Last year it developed a "well" in the main trunk that filled with water during all the rain in the spring.*

See DIRT on page 22

*: I have a dead lawn and I'm ure what to do now. There is a ch layer and lots of weeds. Do I d to "rototil" or could I cut the lawn away with a lawn mower? 't want a new lawn, but instead*


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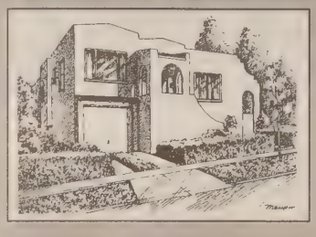

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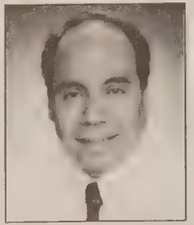
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# Events...

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sory Council (EAC) hosts a **Breakfast Seminar,** at the Holiday Inn, 1800 Powell Street, Emeryville, Thurs., Jan. 11. Registration is at 7:30 a.m., breakfast is from 8 to 10 a.m..Cost is $10 for EAC members and $15 for non-members. IRS Tax Education Specialist Joan Fuji and EDD Customer Service Consultant Aurora Ornum will discuss electronic filing procedures other pertinent topics. Reservations must be made by Jan. 9. Call Alice Erickson, 286-4147 for more information.

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RAF Mortgage presents a free two-hour seminar **Making Money Using the FHA 203k Rehabilitation Loan,** Sat. Jan. 13, from 10 a.m. to noon, at 1722 Solano Avenue, Berkeley. For more information call Steve Scott 528-0767. Presented from the point of view of the investor as well as the owner occupant, instructors will use several successfully closed transactions as case histories.

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The non-profit Building Education Center (BEC), 812Page St., Berkeley holds a free lecture and book signing Sat. Jan 13, 10 a.m. to noon, What You Need to Know Before You Build or Remodel will be the topic. This topic will be repeated Wed., Jan. 17 from 7 to 9 p.m. For more information call the Center at 526-7610.

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Merritt College announces two floral design classes. Introduction to Floral Design will be held Tuesdays 9 to noon from Jan. 16 to March 5. Tuition is $115 with a $16 material fee. Students must supply own flowers.Continental Floral Design will be held Tuesdays from 12:30 to 3:30 p.m. Tuition is $115 with an $18 material fee. Students must supply own flowers. Call 436-2418 for more information.

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The **Jump For Joy Marketing Group** will meet Fridays from Jan. 19 to Feb. 23 from 2 to 5 p.m. The group will provide a customized individual approach to marketing including focus, clarity and business results. The six week class costs $250. Enrollment is limited to 10. Call Wyn Stephens for reservations at 482-9937.

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The **Hillside Gardeners of Montclair** presents Plants for California's Climate, Tues., Jan. 24 at 11;30 a.m., at the Joaquin Miller Community Center, 3300 Joaquin Miller Road, Oakland. Bring your lunch. Coffee and tea provided. Call 531-6329 for more information.

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Karen Ward of CMG Mortgage and Marsha Quick and Judy Boe of Red Oak Realty present a free seminar **Woman to Woman: Finding the Keys to Buying Your Own Home,** Sat., Jan. 27, 10 a.m. to noon, 1029 Solano Ave., Albany. Special topics include investigating neighborhoods, setting priorities and selecting an agent. Call 718-2134 for reservations.

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The non-profit **Building Education Center (BEC),** 812 Page St., Berkeley announces its 1996 schedule of classes, including its 17-session The Homeowner's Essential Course: How to Build, Remodel and Maintain Your Home. For information on this or other BEC courses call the Center 525-7610.

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Alameda County Waste Management Authority presents the **Master Composter Training Program.** This 50-hour course will educate the public about the building of compost piles, the teaching of children about decomposition and setting up projects to recycle institutional food waste. Courses begin in Feb. Application deadline is Jan. 24. Call 635-6275 for more information.

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A free **First-Time Home Buyer Seminar,** sponsored by Red Oak Realty and Mortgage Network, is held every first and third Wed. of the month at 7 p.m.,1891 Solano Ave., Berkeley. Find out about first-time home buyer programs, get tips from a Realtor on how to make an offer, negotiate the best deal, home inspections and more. Receive a free financing booklet, loan prequalification and a listing of homes for sale in your price range. Reservations required. Call Russell Doi at 526-6554.

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RAF Mortgage presents free seminars on **How to Make Money Using the FHA 203K Rehab Loan,** Wednesdays at 7 p.m. at 1722 Solano Ave., Berkeley. Reservations required. Call 528-0767.

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Wausau Mortgage Corp. announces a free 203k mortgage workshop **Rehabilitate for Profit or Equity with a Proven Product,** every Tues.and Thurs., 7 to 9 p.m. Call 1-800 801-1320 ext. 240 for locations.

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**Le Tip International,** an organization of independent business people devoted to exchanging business leads and helping other members, meets Wednesdays at 7:15 a.m. Guests welcome. Call Lisa Schliff at 236-3002.

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The Bay Area chapter of the **National Association of the Remodeling Industry,** holds its regular meeting on the 2nd Wed. of every month at 6 p.m. at Showplace Square, 2 Henry Adams Street in San Francisco. Call (415) 255-6463 for more information.

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**The Friends of the Latin American Library** hold regular meetings at the Latin American Library, 1900 Fruitvale Ave., Oakland. Join in to support the library as it enters its 30th year of service. For more information call the library at 535-5620.

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A non-profit **Phantom of the Opera fan club** is forming. For information call Alison Trammel at 682-4793.

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12820 BROOKPARK RD, PARKRIDGE ESTATES - 3BD/2BA...$299,000
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3361 VICTOR AVE., REDWOOD HEIGHTS - 2BD/1+BA.....$217,000
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3945 HARRISON ST. #21 - ROSE GARDEN.....$159,000
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32 Hampton Ct. - $233,000
105 Nottingham - $302,000
1219 Pacific - $216,000
3187 Phoenix Ln. - $200,000
2 Redondo Ct. - $200,000
950 Shorepoint - $87,000
76 Steuben Bay - $450,000
1620 Wood St. - $230,000

ALBANY
911 Evelyn Ave. - $225,000
1109 Stannage - $110,000

BERKELEY
1831 Berryman St. - $262,000
1533 Beverly Pl. - $262,500
990 Euclid Ave. - $455,000
1240 Grand View - $665,000
1425 Harmon St. - $125,000
805 Indian Rock - $316,000
76 Menlo Pl. - $315,000
1923 Oregon St. - $214,000
2824 Prince St. - $189,000
9 Rosemont Ave. - $307,000
581 Santa Barbara - $379,000
1417 Spruce St. - $214,000
470 Spruce St. - $329,500
989 Tulare Ave. - $280,000
2436 Valley St. - $125,000
104 Vicente Rd. - $175,000

EL CERRITO
6363 Conlon Ave. - $160,000
6933 Fairview Dr. - $228,000

EL SOBRANTE
635 Andrews Way - $170,000
1162 Kelvin Rd. - $178,000
4316 Santa Rita - $150,000

EMERYVILLE
1084 48th St. - $107,000
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6363 Chr'tie #2924 - $374,000
6363 Chr'tie #904 - $117,000

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4401 Allendale - $154,000
4350 Arden Pl. - $290,000
823 Arlington - $138,000
2820 Bartlett - $167,500
9415 Burr St. - $120,000
740 Calmar - $314,000
669 Clara St. - $119,000
5954 Claremont - $252,000
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3030 Delaware - $115,000
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9510 Hillside - $142,000
9 Linda Ave. - $600,000
11110 Lochard - $388,500
5427 Locksley - $257,000
696 Mandana - $147,000
1024 Norwood - $195,000
6466 Pinehaven - $500,000
3425 Rhoda Ave. - $142,500
2532 Ritchie St. - $122,000
7862 Sanford St. - $176,000
1951 Seminary - $120,000
6410 Swainland - $304,000
6224 Thornhill - $237,500

PIEDMONT
418 Blair Ave. - $566,000
345 El Cerrito - $910,000

SALES STATS BY CITY

ALAMEDA
TOTAL SALES: 11
LOWEST PRICE: $87,000
HIGHEST PRICE: $450,000
AVERAGE PRICE $231,636

ALBANY
TOTAL SALES: 2
LOWEST PRICE: $110,000
HIGHEST PRICE: $225,000
AVERAGE PRICE $167,500

BERKELEY
TOTAL SALES: 16
LOWEST PRICE: $125,000
HIGHEST PRICE: $665,000
AVERAGE PRICE $288,312

EL CERRITO
TOTAL SALES: 2
LOWEST PRICE: $160,000
HIGHEST PRICE: $228,000
AVERAGE PRICE $194,000

EL SOBRANTE
TOTAL SALES: 3
LOWEST PRICE: $150,000
HIGHEST PRICE: $178,000
AVERAGE PRICE $166,000

EMERYVILLE
TOTAL SALES:4
LOWEST PRICE: $83,000
HIGHEST PRICE: $374,0
AVERAGE PRICE $170,2

OAKLAND
TOTAL SALES: 26
LOWEST PRICE: $115,0
HIGHEST PRICE: $600,
AVERAGE PRICE $238,

PIEDMONT
TOTAL SALES: 2
LOWEST PRICE: $566,0
HIGHEST PRICE: $910,0
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**MONTCLAIR NEW CONSTRUCTION .....$369,000**
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**NICE AREA! NICE PRICE! .....$349,000**
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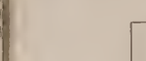
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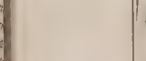
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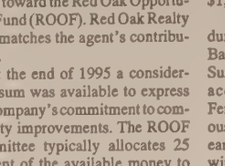
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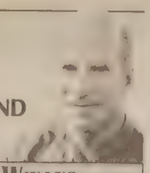
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## From the Ground Up



Paul Winans

# Welcome to the contractor's hangout

Normally this column is as linear as most contractors: focused on a single idea and consistently to the point. Since we have reached the beginning of another exciting year in the Bay Area, I thought I might use this column to touch on a few topics of possible interest to you, the readers.

*How come all the bids are so much higher than our budget?*

A reader wrote to me in response to the column on how to work with a design professional. Her experience was filled with frustration, as the architect seemed to design a project which could not be built for the reader's budget. The reader did not have a contract with the architect.

Later in the process the reader was able to locate and secure the services of a general contractor who became "an absolute lifesaver." All this contractor did was to work with the reader's budget as the main point of reference in planning the project.

The reader's opinions of architects and contractors have been powerfully impacted by her experiences. Are all architects unable to to design to a budget on their own? Are contractors the people who can provide more predictability? How can you proceed in the remodeling process and avoid the frustration connected with someone not doing what you are paying them to do?

Some suggestions to consider are:

• Only deal with professionals who are referred by people you trust.

• Check their references thoroughly enough so you will get all your questions answered before you hire anybody. (More in a moment.)

• Always have a contract for any service you have provided to you, even if you think the architect/contractor is the most knowledgeable person in the world.

• Make no unarticulated assumptions. If you don't ask, you will find out too late.

Having an architect and a contractor work together to help you find a satisfactory blend of your dreams and your budget is a way to minimize frustration when planning a remodel.

Following these steps it will be less likely that you will end up with a bad opinion of the people you engaged to help you answer your remodeling questions.

*But when this contractor worked for the last time, he did a great job.*

Getting references and checking them are steps in the qualifying process that are always mentioned. But is this is a fool-proof way to make sure that your service provider is the one to hire?

Furthermore, isn't it reasonable to assume that if you have the same company work for you again that they will do the same good work for you this time that they did the last time?

A neighbor mentioned to me his experiences working with the same contractor over a period of time involving several different jobs. Initially the contractor did very satisfactory work. However, my neighbor's most recent experience with the contractor did not turn out the same as the earlier ones.

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The work seemed to go on and on. The contractor was not there regularly. My neighbor felt like he was running the job, not the contractor.

What had happened? The contractor used to work on the job. Now he had more work than he could handle himself. He had not taken the time to build his company so it could operate well without his being on the site.

The contractor had become successful enough to not be able to provide the same high level of service that he had been delivering in the past.

What could my neighbor have done to learn this before hiring the contractor again? What can you do when you are checking references to make sure that you are not going to be engaging a different company than the one which worked for the reference?

Stay in touch with the good companies you have had work for you. All things tend to change over time and remodeling companies are no exception. Ask your contractor, "How is business?" and "What's new?" before you find out in fact.

When checking references make sure to speak with both old and more recent clients. The contractor you are talking to will give you the dates he worked for the references. Double check the dates when talking with the client. Remember, any question you do not ask now will be answered for you by your experiences.

As we move into 1996, our thoughts turn to all that has happened in 1995. The economy appears to be more stable than in the early '90s. Housing prices seem not to be moving downward. Will it ever rain again?

What does the future hold? What is in store for 1996? Is this the year to do that remodeling project you have been thinking about for some time?

Keep in mind that if 1996 is the right year, start your planning now so that the project will be complete before the holidays.

Happy New Year!

*Paul Winans, CR, is co-owner of Winans Construction, Inc., an Oakland-based general contracting firm founded in 1978. He can be reached at 653-7288.*

# Dirt...

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*When we discovered it, we scraped out all the mush in the center (about 2' down), then drilled a drain hole from the outside.*

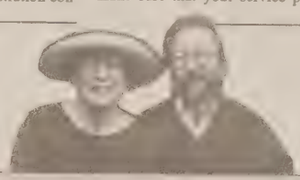
*It dried out okay and produced an enormous amount of apples early in the season. What should we do to keep water out this year? Do we fill it with cement or attach a metal or plastic cover? The hole is five inches wide.*

A: Certainly, filling the hole with cement will do the trick. I recommend using a wire mesh in the cement and filling the hole to within 3/4 inch of the top. After it has dried, cover the opening with a thin coat of pruning paint; then let mother nature do its thing. You can also leave the cavity open, but protect its inside with pruning paint leaving the drainage hole at the bottom. The pruning paint will act as a water sealer and prevent any further water damage.

*Q: Is there a general rule of thumb about mulching a garden in addition against cold weather? Are there any special preparation that should help culinary herbs over the winter?*

A: Mulching is used in areas where the ground freezes. In areas we get freezing temperatures but never gets cold enough for the ground to freeze, so this is not a concern in our area. "Herbaceous" herbs such as parsley and basil die during most winters. One way to protect them would be to move them to a sheltered location, under the eaves or a patio cover. Woody herbs such as sage, oregano and rosemary suffer no ill effects from winter temperatures.

## On Our Minds



The Hendricksons

# Winter in snowy Manhattan

New York is covered with 20 inches of the most beautiful, clean, white snow. The layers are so powdery and sweet that everyone seems to be enjoying it. Dennis and I are in Manhattan, on vacation, not trying to be on time or get much more done than some interior work on the co-op we recently bought.

We are mostly walking around in Greenwich Village, a very old and charming part of Manhattan where the streets are lined with trees and red brick row houses, many over a century old. Walking along the street, our labored breaths of very, very cold air are sweetened with the smell of smoke from burning logs in these classic homes.

We have been given a gift, a sharing not unlike the one we often experience in California shortly after a medium but painless earthquake. We walkers are a community of people who have not yet met one another. Trudging along, bundled up like Russian peasants, we carry supplies of toilet paper, bread and beer from the market, just in case. No one knows how long the storm will last. There is an unexpected sense of quiet camaraderie that nature has dumped along with the snow.

Civility and kindness are in full force. People smile at one another. They speak before they are spoken to, offer a hand to a stranger trying to step over a snow drift or digging out a car. There is an unusual sense of trust in the air.

New York looks like it did in photographs taken in the late 1800s. It looks like once again we may not see the inside of a museum or a theater. They are all closed. All there is to do, is wander and look around and visit old friends, which is just fine with us. There are virtually no cars or buses on the streets, and there are very few taxis. Thank goodness the subway is running.

This afternoon we decided to go uptown to Central Park to take our own photographs.. Since New York City has changed all of the names of the various subway lines, I haven't any idea which of the various letters or numbers on the different trains will get me where I want to go. I do know that it won't take very long to get there, so I better figure it out quickly and be ready to get off the train at the right stop.

For me, it is far faster to ask, than to read the colorful map on the wall while the train is moving. I ask one of the three people sharing our car on the train where to get off for Central Park and he says "Watch where I get off and get off at the station before." I know that joke. It is one of my favorite from childhood. Laughing out loud, I begin a conversation which leads us from the basic "Where did you go to high school", to the fact that he changes jobs every seven years, down-sizing as he goes.

**'New York is covered with 20 inches of the most beautiful, clean white snow ... it looks like it did in the photographs taken in the late 1800s.'**

Currently, he says, coming close to us and whispering, he is working for the government in the criminal justice system. I note his black trench coat and backpack. He is in "operations" now. But before, six years ago, he confesses he worked the "other side" of the law.

"What's next?", I ask as we approach the station which he has suggested we get off.

"Well," he says, "I used to be a singer and song writer". The door opens and as we get off, I ask him one final question which is actually a statement of what I think that he should do.

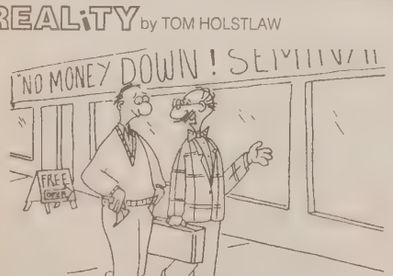
" Perhaps, you will compose a seven stanza song telling all?"

"Exactly. That's exactly what I will do next," he says, and we both smile as the doors shut.

For Dennis and me, this blizzard, is a great adventure . We are so enchanted by the snow, and the kindness of strangers towards one another, that should they close the airport again, on the day we are supposed to fly home, we will just have to grin and bear it, and grin we will.

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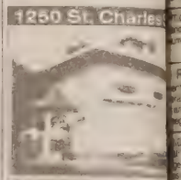
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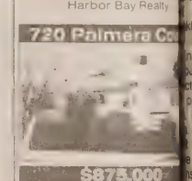


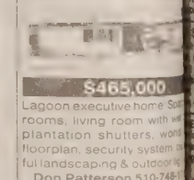
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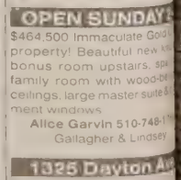
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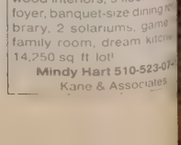
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### 723 Oakland & Piedmont

### 724 STUDIO APT. RENTALS Oakland & Piedmont

$375 STUDIO near Lake Merritt, new carpet/ paint, separate kitchen. Deposits. 1706 10th Ave. 535-1682.

$400 SMALL garden studio apartment, all utilities included, Glenview- Montclair area, quiet residential, nonsmoking, no pets, near transportation. 482-3206.

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$485 SPACIOUS kitchen, walk-in closet, full bath, off-street parking. Laundry. Good neighborhood near Lake. 444-6302.

$485 SUNNY, large studio in well-maintained Spanish-style building filled with old world charm. Walk-in closet with built-ins, eat-in kitchen, laundry. Cable available. Quiet neighborhood on China Hill. Rent includes heat. 339-0687.

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$620 MONTCLAIR Studio. Private entrance, secluded, quiet, utilities paid, off-street parking, on Dublin Ave. Call Michelle 531-7005.

$620 STUDIO Montclair Village taking applications. Cable included, no pets. 10 a.m.- 6 p.m. 530-9376.

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### 725 1 BED. APT. RENTALS Oakland & Piedmont

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325 Euclid- 1 bedroom, dining area, swimming pool. One block to shopping and transportation. Laundry, elevator. Call 451-5498.

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$525 LARGE 1 bedroom. Hardwood floors, remodeled kitchen, many closets, laundry, convenient location. 524-1923.

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$525 REMODELLED 1 bedroom apartment in modern security building on tree-lined street near Lake and downtown. New carpet, paint, blinds and appliances, new and responsive management, security parking available. 187 Montecito. 272-9241.

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$540 LAKE District, sunny, 1 bedroom. Dinette, new carpet/ paint, walk-in closet, laundry. No pets. 254-4762.

$540 LARGE 1 bedroom, older building. Carpet, laundry, intercom, near Lakeside Park, 240 Grand. 444-0620.

$540 ONE bedroom. $450 studio. Best area. Pool, laundry. (510)652-2148; (415)573-5650; (415)719-6114 Pager.

$540 SUNNY unit near Grand Lake Theater. Hardwood floors, dishwasher, parking, family operated. 658-5511.

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**1920's CHARM**
2530 Eight Ave.- Large 1 bedroom, great natural light, decorative fireplace, sunny eat-in kitchen. Two walk-in closets. Personal touches, charming and quiet 9 unit building. Call 531-6969.

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**WALK TO BART AND SHOPPING**
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$560
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$560 NEAR Piedmont Ave., 1 bedroom, unfurnished, electric kitchen, parking. 653-4515.

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**BEST DEAL IN ADAMS POINT**
Large 1 bedroom, view. 12th month rent free. 832-5553 or 339-6039.

$565 QUIET cul-de-sac. Polished throughout. Well-managed fourplex. Private, sunny, balcony, laundry, parking. Must see! 531-5059.

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$575 ONE bedroom. On Lake Merritt. 1824 Lakeshore Ave. Gas stove. Laundry facilities. No pets or parking. 893-9108.

$585 ONE bedroom, quiet security building, pool. Piedmont Ave. area. No pets. 658-7449.

$590 MONTCLAIR, Snake Road. Furnished bedroom in private home. Private bath. Sunporch. Parking. View. (510)339-1019.

$595
**UPPER PIEDMONT AVENUE**
96 Linda- Large 1 bedroom near Piedmont and Oakland Ave. Hardwood floors, dining off kitchen. Bottom floor of garden courtyard with storage, laundry. Call 531-6969.

$595 370 STATEN, very quiet top floor in small well-managed secured building. View, parking. 763-1333.

$595 ADAM Point, remodeled Victorian, new kitchen, newly painted, Levolors, 2 large walk-in closets. 415-863-6390.

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$600
**ATTRACTIVE ONE BEDROOM**
Near Grand Lake Theater. Newly painted, security building. Gated garage, carpets, drapes, elevator. Deposit. 893-4939.

$600
**1920's CHARM!**
291 Lester- Large 1 bedroom opportunity! Hardwood floors, Walk-in closet. Top floor, good natural light. Includes water, garbage and heat! Call 465-3052.

$600 ONE bedroom, sunny, quiet, Lake area, 320 Euclid. 451-9056; 465-7988.

$600 UNFURNISHED cozy 1 bedroom. Quiet residential area. Includes utilities. Small pets welcome. 482-1690.

$600 VERY nice, (1 interior room), carpet, laundry, parking. Convenient. 4812 Tompkins. 482-4590.

$610 SUNNY 1 bedroom. View, security, balcony, top floor, parking, laundry. Near Rose Garden. 654-6413.

$615 VERY large, character, Bohemian neighborhood, hardwoods, etc. CPS/SELECT 339-1643.

$620 SUNNY 1 bedroom, high ceilings, hardwood floors, 5 closets, sun deck, laundry, 4231 Montgomery, showing Saturday, January 13, 10- 2, 653-3405.

$625
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$625 ONE bedroom, remodelled Edwardian, modern kitchen, bath, fireplace, off-street parking, laundry room, security service. Near Lake Merritt. 415-824-9399; 510-678-8180.

$625 ONE bedroom view apartment, walking distance Piedmont Ave. and BART, 349 38th Street. 655-6524.

$625 PIEDMONT area 1 bedroom, large, secure building, carpet, laundry room, AEK, top floor. 428-4913.

$625 PIEDMONT Ave. area, Terrace St. Duplex, 1 bedroom, tile bath/ kitchen, washer/ dryer, private deck, alarm. No pets. 254-9754.

$630 SECLUDED, quiet 1 bedroom in fourplex. Hardwoods, mini-blinds, cat okay. 833-1956, after 4.

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**NEAR PIEDMONT**
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## 725 1 BED. APT. RENTALS Oakland & Piedmont

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$895- $1000 TWO bedroom, on Vermont/ Mandana. Newer building, view, parking. 1½ bath. Agent 523-1115.

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$900 LUXURY Condo. 2 baths, balcony, parking, washer/ dryer, dishwasher, microwave. CPS/SELECT 339-1643.

$950 CONDO, Adams Point, 2 bedroom, 2 full bath, sunny, top floor, great kitchen, large closet. Parking. 260 Perkins. 839-3100.

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$900 THREE bedroom, 2 bath, washer, dryer, dishwasher, 7400 Mountain Blvd. between Keller and Edward. Agent, no fee. Chuck 763-9901.

$950 FOUR bedroom, 1½ bath, top floor duplex. Hardwood, gas, balcony, 2 car parking. Cul-de-sac. Large unit, storage. 601-8769.

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## 756 El Cerrito & North

$950 EL CERRITO 2 bedroom, charming older home, wonderful sunlight, great condition. Large basement/ work space. Agent 526-9661.

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$740 SUNNY 1 bedroom, cute bathroom, dining, laundry hookup, fenced yard. Water/ garbage paid. 733-9558.

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$725 SMALL 2 bedroom, 2 bath house. Convenient location, shopping and elementary schools. 531-6161.

$750 FRONT, back porch, patio, yard, basement, garage. 1616 E. 31st Street. Alarm ready. 487-2010.

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$850 ABOVE MacArthur, clean 2 bedroom, new carpeting, etc. Nice/ quiet area. Transportation. References. 893-9555.

$850 TWO bedroom, 1 bath. New carpet, fireplace, balcony, basement. (510)799-7943.

$925 OAK Knoll. Sweeping bay view, sunny, hardwood, fireplace, laundry, garage, quiet neighborhood. 339-9778.

$975 TWO plus bedroom, 2 bath, lease option, Dakota Street. Agent, no fee. Chuck 763-9901.

$1000 DIMOND District 2 bedroom, plus studio, large fenced yard, garage, fireplace, hardwood floors. 408-867-6460.

$1000 ROCKRIDGE 2 bedroom. fireplace, formal dining room, wall-to-wall carpet, kitchen with breakfast area, parking, basement. Close to transportation. 530-1005.

$1050 LINCOLN Heights 2 bedroom, 1 bath, fireplace, yard, garage plus off-street parking. 482-9495.

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$1200 MONTCLAIR charming 2 bedroom, quiet, mountain views. Fireplace, deck, skylights, laundry, dishwasher. 408-646-5319; 510-736-9727.

$1225 TWO bedroom, 1 bath, hardwood floors, washer/ dryer, deck, yard. First plus deposit. 654-1150.

$1250 ROCKRIDGE two bedrooms plus. Two baths, fireplace, view, fenced yard, garage, dogs negotiable. 63rd/ Colby. #34134-B. Homefinders 549-6450.

$1295 ATTRACTIVE 2 bedroom in Oakland Hills. Partial Bay view, wood panel living room with fireplace. Landscape with gardener provided. Alarm system. Double garage with automatic door. No pets. Lease. References. 547-5369.

$1315 TWO bedroom, 2 bath, woodsy country setting, enclosed 2 car garage, some appliances, fireplace, decks. Monday- Friday, 9- 5, 834-9815.

$2000 FOR lease. Beautiful Piedmont home, 2 bedroom, 2 bath with den. Marion Schwartz, The Grubb Co. 339-0400.

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$975 NEAR Mills College. Charming, wood floors, fireplace, formal dining, deck, laundry. 568-3514 or 339-3555.

$1200 FIREPLACE, breakfast area, formal dining, yard, garage, laundry, appliances. Non-smoking, no pets. 531-6049.

$1250 GLENVIEW, 3951 Park Blvd., 3 bedroom, 2 bath, old world charm, dining room, study, views, backyard, washer/ dryer. 540-5545.

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$1325 SPACIOUS 3 bedroom, 2 bath, dining room, fireplace, appliances, quiet, clean. No pets. 376-7000.

$1350 CHARMING Lakeshore 3 bedroom, 1 bath, formal dining room, marble fireplace, decks, updated kitchen, 538 Kenmore. West Management 893-9378.

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$1450 COZY, charming Tudor, Oak Knoll, 3+ bedroom, formal dining, fireplace. Section 8 okay. 415-485-6800.

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File No. 95-7180
The Name of the Business:
Drain Tech, 6045 Ralston Ave., Richmond, CA 94805.
Is hereby registered by the following Owner:
James A. Pilcher, 6045 Ralston Ave., Richmond, CA 94805.
This business is conducted by an Individual.
Statement was filed with County Clerk of Contra Costa County on December 6, 1995.
The Journal December 21, 28, 1995, January 4, 11, 1996.

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File No. 95-5754
The Name of the Business:
Diana's Nail Salon, 10558 San Pablo Ave., El Cerrito, CA 94530.
Is hereby registered by the following Owner:
Viet Quang Huynh, 1635 E.14th Street, Oakland, CA 94606.
This business is conducted by an Individual.
Statement was filed with County Clerk of Contra Costa County on December 11, 1995.
The Journal December 21, 28, 1995, January 4, 11, 1996.

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File No. 95-7042
The Name of the Business:
JCH Consulting Company, 97 Shuey Drive, Moraga, CA 94556.
Is hereby registered by the following Owner:
John C. Hsu, 97 Shuey Drive, Moraga, CA 94556.
This business is conducted by an Individual.
Statement was filed with County Clerk of Contra Costa County on November 29, 1995.
The Journal December 21, 28, 1995, January 4, 11, 1996.

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File No. 95-7087
The Name of the Business:
Truck And Tractor, 2989 Knoll Dr., Concord, CA 94520.
Is hereby registered by the following Owner:
Paul Joseph Peterson, 2989 Knoll Dr., Concord, CA 94520.
This business is conducted by an Individual.
Statement was filed with County Clerk of Contra Costa County on November 30, 1995.
The Journal December 21, 28, 1995, January 4, 11, 1996.

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File No. 95-7019
The Name of the Business:
FASTFRAME of Concord, 1801-G Sutter St., Concord, CA 94520.
Is hereby registered by the following Owner:
Creative Design And Framing, Inc., California.
This business is conducted by a Corporation.
Statement was filed with County Clerk of Contra Costa County on November 28, 1995.
The Journal December 21, 28, 1995, January 4, 11, 1996.

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File No. 95-7146
The Name of the Business:
Happy Homes Properties, 4704 Matterhorn Court, P.O. Box 4352, Antioch, CA 94531-4352.
Is hereby registered by the following Owners:
John M. Hollender, 5510 Lenora Rd., Richmond, CA 94803-3447.
Paula Young, 5510 Lenora Rd., Richmond, CA 94803-3447.
Margaret Hollender, 1011 Fairoaks, Apt. #7, Alameda, CA 94501.
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Sandra Love, 444 Kent St., Zephyr Cove, NE 89448.
Bak Y. Chin, 733 Gellert Blvd., Daly City, CA 94015.
Thomas & Nancy Casazza, 2609 Sonoma Way, Pinole, CA 94564.
Viviane Vidal, 334 Berkeley Park Way, Kensington, CA 94707.
Juan E. & Alicia B. Tinnirello, 4704 Matterhorn Ct., Antioch, CA 94509-8335.
This business is conducted by Co-owners.
Statement was filed with County Clerk of Contra Costa County on December 5, 1995.
The Journal December 21, 28, 1995, January 4, 11, 1996.

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File No. 95-6948
The Name of the Business:
Nation's Giant Hamburgers, 4600-A Clayton Rd., Concord, CA 94521.
Is hereby registered by the following Owner:
Nation's Foodservice, Inc. (General Partner), 11090 San Pablo Ave., El Cerrito, CA 94530.
This business is conducted by a Limited Partnership.
Statement was filed with County Clerk of Contra Costa County on November 21, 1995.
The Journal December-21, 28, 1995, January 4, 11, 1996.

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File No. 95-7084
The Name of the Business:
Lynne LeMarr's Living Legacies, 3294 Withers Ave., Lafayette, CA 94549.
Is hereby registered by the following Owner:
Deborah Lynne Hall, 3294 Withers Ave., Lafayette, CA 94549.
This business is conducted by an Individual.
Statement was filed with County Clerk of Contra Costa County on November 30, 1995.
The Journal December 21, 28, 1995, January 4, 11, 1996.

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File No. 95-7186
The Name of the Business:
Synergetic Engineering Systems, 1231 Norvell St., El Cerrito, CA 94530.
Is hereby registered by the following Owner:
Duane Yamasaki, 1231 Norvell St., El Cerrito, CA 94530.
This business is conducted by an Individual.
Statement was filed with County Clerk of Contra Costa County on December 7, 1995.
The Journal December 21, 28, 1995, January 4, 11, 1996.

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File No. 95-7280
The Name of the Business:
ALLPRO Realty, 3065 Richmond Parkway, Suite 107A, Richmond, CA 94806.
Is hereby registered by the following Owner:
Tioseco And Young, Inc., California.
This business is conducted by a Corporation.
Statement was filed with County Clerk of Contra Costa County on December 12, 1995.
The Journal December 21, 28, 1995, January 4, 11, 1996.

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File No. 95-7116
The Name of the Business:
Oasis Pools, 1771 Pleasant Hill Rd., Pleasant Hill, CA 94523.
Is hereby registered by the following Owner:
OSSPLS, Inc., Pleasant Hill, CA 94523. California.
This business is conducted by a Corporation.
Statement was filed with County Clerk of Contra Costa County on December 4, 1995.
The Journal December 28, 1995, January 4, 11, 18, 1996.

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File No. 95-7235
The Name of the Business:
perlEav, 1048 Leland Drive, Lafayette, CA 94549.
Is hereby registered by the following Owners:
John Y. Kwan, 1048 Leland Drive, Lafayette, CA 94549.
Jeffrey A. Mogalian, 1608 Springbrook Rd., Lafayette, CA 94549.
This business is conducted by a General Partnership.
Statement was filed with County Clerk of Contra Costa County on December 8, 1995.
The Journal December 28, 1995, January 4, 11, 18, 1996.

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File No. 95-7340
The Name of the Business:
Fortune Paging & Gifts Co., 10408-A San Pablo Ave., El Cerrito, CA 94530.
Is hereby registered by the following Owner:
Shan-Mei Chen, 6501 Barrett Ave., El Cerrito, CA 94530.
This business is conducted by an Individual.
Statement was filed with County Clerk of Contra Costa County on December 15, 1995.
The Journal December 28, 1995, January 4, 11, 18, 1996.

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File No. 95-6630
The Name of the Business:
Veterans Mortgage Company, 2667 Camino Del Rio South-Plaza Level, San Diego, CA 92108.
Is hereby registered by the following Owner:
First Home Acceptance Mortgage Corporation, 2667 Camino Del Rio South-Plaza Level, San Diego, CA 92108.

## Public Notices

This business is conducted by a Corporation.
Statement was filed with County Clerk of Contra Costa County on December 13, 1995.
The Journal December 28, 1995, January 4, 11, 18, 1996.

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File No. 95-7232
The Name of the Business:
Responsive Communication Services Inc., 1883 E. Summerfield Ct., Oakley, CA 94561.
Is hereby registered by the following Owner:
Responsive Communication Services Inc., California.
This business is conducted by a Corporation.
Statement was filed with County Clerk of Contra Costa County on December 8, 1995.
The Journal December 28, 1995, January 4, 11, 18, 1996.

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File No. 95-7107
The Name of the Business:
University Connection, 113 Hogan Ct., Suite 4, Walnut Creek, CA 94598.
Is hereby registered by the following Owner:
Debra Faye Torin-Levy, 113 Hogan Ct., Suite 4, Walnut Creek, CA 94598.
This business is conducted by an Individual.
Statement was filed with County Clerk of Contra Costa County on December 1, 1995.
The Journal December 28, 1995, January 4, 11, 18, 1996.

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File No. 95-7348
The Name of the Business:
Jam Services, 190 El Cerrito Plaza, #137, El Cerrito, 94530.
Is hereby registered by the following Owner:
John Whatley, 190 El Cerrito Plaza, #137, El Cerrito, CA 94530.
This business is conducted by an Individual.
Statement was filed with County Clerk of Contra Costa County on December 15, 1995.
The Journal December 28, 1995, January 4, 11, 18, 1996.

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File No. 95-7218
The Name of the Business:
Environmental Law Services, 2208 Ridge Point Ct., Walnut Creek, CA 94596.
Is hereby registered by the following Owner:
Michael Easter, 2208 Ridge Point Ct., Walnut Creek, CA 94596.
This business is conducted by an Individual.
Statement was filed with County Clerk of Contra Costa County on December 8, 1995.
The Journal December 28, 1995, January 4, 11, 18, 1996.

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File No. 95-7234
The Name of the Business:
Rudal's Environmental Services, 1132 Palmer Ave., San Pablo, CA 94806.
Is hereby registered by the following Owners:
Federico Molano, 1132 Palmer Ave., San Pablo, CA 94806.
Alfred Machacon, 1111 Stonington Ave., San Pablo, CA 94806.
This business is conducted by a General Partnership.
Statement was filed with County Clerk of Contra Costa County on December 8, 1995.
The Journal December 21, 28, 1995, January 4, 11, 1996.

### NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE

T.S.No.L-5133
APN549-052-001-1
YOU ARE IN DEFAULT UNDER A DEED OF TRUST DATED October 14, 1994. UNLESS YOU TAKE ACTION TO PROTECT YOUR PROPERTY, IT MAY BE SOLD AT A PUBLIC SALE. IF YOU NEED AN EXPLANATION OF THE NATURE OF THE PROCEEDINGS AGAINST YOU, YOU SHOULD CONTACT A LAWYER. On **January 26, 1996 at 10:00 a.m.**, ROBERT E. WEISS INCORPORATED as the duly appointed Trustee under and pursuant to Deed of Trust, recorded on October 28, 1994 as **Document No. 94-264563** of Official Records in the Office of the Recorder of Contra Costa County, California, executed by: RUBY RUSHING, AN UNMARRIED WOMAN, as Trustor SECURITY FINANCIAL ACCEPTANCE, L.P., A CALIFORNIA LIMITED PARTNERSHIP, as Beneficiary WILL SELL AT PUBLIC AUCTION TO THE HIGHEST BIDDER FOR CASH (payable at time of sale in lawful money of the United States, by cash, a cashier's check drawn by a state or national bank, a check drawn by a state or federal credit union, or a check drawn by a state or federal savings and loan association, savings association, or savings bank specified in section 5102 of the Financial Code and authorized to do business in this state). At: **the Main Street entrance to the City Hall, 1666 North Main Street, Walnut Creek, CA**, all right, title and interest conveyed to and now held by it under said Deed of Trust in the property situated in said County, California describing the land therein: **Lot 1, Block 4, B. Boorman's Addition to the City of Pullman, filed December 9, 1910, Book 3, Page 71, of Maps, in the Office of the County Recorder of Contra Costa County.** The property heretofore described is being sold "as is". The street address and other common designation, if any, of the real property described above is purported to be: **312 South 28th Street, Richmond, CA 94804**. The undersigned Trustee disclaims any liability for any incorrectness of the street address and other common designation, if any, shown herein. Said sale will be made, but without covenant or warranty, expressed or implied, regarding title, possession, or encumbrances, to pay the remaining principal sum of the note(s) secured by said Deed of Trust, with interest thereon, as provided in said notes(s), advances, if any, under the terms of the Deed of Trust, estimated fees, charges and expenses of the Trustee and of the trusts created by said Deed of Trust, to-wit: **$58,192.33 Estimated. Accrued interest and additional advances, if any, will increase this figure prior to sale.** The beneficiary under said Deed of Trust heretofore executed and delivered to the undersigned a written Declaration of Default and Demand for Sale, and a written Notice of Default and Election to Sell. The undersigned caused said Notice of Default and Election to Sell to recorded in the county where the real property is located and more than three months have elapsed since such recordation. Dated: December 15, 1995. ROBERT E. WEISS INCORPORATED as TRUSTEE, 920 VILLAGE OAKS DRIVE, P.O. BOX 3269, COVINA, CA 91722. (818)967-4302.
By: Cris A. Klingerman.
The Journal December 28, 1995, January 4, 11, 1996.

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File No. 95-7205
The Name of the Business:
De Mello Fine Food, 1154 Rhoda Way, Concord, CA 94518.
Is hereby registered by the following Owners:
Craig W. De Mello, 1154 Rhoda Way, Concord, CA 94518.
Susan B. De Mello, 1154 Rhoda Way, Concord, CA 94518.
This business is conducted by Individuals-Husband and Wife.
Statement was filed with County Clerk of Contra Costa County on December 7, 1995.
The Journal December 28, 1995, January 4, 11, 18, 1996.

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File No. 95-7164
The Name of the Business:
TK LAI Group, 1997 Countrywood Court, Walnut Creek, CA 94598.
Is hereby registered by the following Owner:
Helen Lai, 1997 Countrywood Court, Walnut Creek, CA 94598.
This business is conducted by an Individual.
Statement was filed with County Clerk of Contra Costa County on December 5, 1995.
The Journal December 28, 1995, January 4, 11, 18, 1996.

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File No. 95-6999
The Name of the Business:
Professional Medical Systems, 37 Quail Court, #200, Walnut Creek, CA 94596.
Is hereby registered by the following Owner:
Harvey J. Widroe, M.D., 17 Hall Drive, Orinda, Ca 94563.
This business is conducted by a General Partnership.
Statement was filed with County Clerk of Contra Costa County on November 27, 1995.
The Journal December 28, 1995, January 4, 11, 18, 1996.

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File No. 95-7103
The Name of the Business:
Fifteen Candles Investment Club, 4791 Burgundy Drive, Oakley, CA 94561.
Is hereby registered by the following Owners:
Lisa Walters, 2110 Marsh Ave., Pittsburg, CA 94565.
Regina Coleman, 5060 Mesa Ridge Dr., Antioch, CA 94509.
Sandra Givens, 5962 Hillcrest Dr., San Pablo, CA 94806.
Jacqueline Lindsey, 4791 Burgundy Dr., Oakley, CA 94561.
Natalie Boone, 761 24th Street, Richmond, CA 94804.

## Public Notices

Barbara Duncan, 5360 Olive Dr., Concord, CA 94521.
Patricia Givens, 2818 Clinton Ave., Richmond, CA 94804.
Karen C. Walker, 557 30th Street, #A, Oakland, CA 94609.
Sarah Wallace, 3070 Birmingham Dr., Richmond, CA 94806.
This business is conducted by a General Partnership.
Statement was filed with County Clerk of Contra Costa County on December 1, 1995.
The Journal December 28, 1995, January 4, 11, 18, 1996.

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File No. 95-6992
The Name of the Business:
Herb Rite, 190 Fawcett, Hercules, CA 94547.
Is hereby registered by the following Owner:
Kelvin Verrett, 190 Fawcett, Hercules, CA 94547.
This business is conducted by an Individual.
Statement was filed with County Clerk of Contra Costa County on November 27, 1995.
The Journal December 28, 1995, January 4, 11, 18, 1996.

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File No. 95-7166
The Name of the Business:
Prestige Cleaning and Restoration, 2890 N. Main Street #303, Walnut Creek, CA 94596
Is hereby registered by the following Owner:
Andrew Edward McCullough, 975 Getoun Dr., Concord, CA 94518.
This business is conducted by an Individual.
Statement was filed with County Clerk of Contra Costa County on December 6, 1995.
The Journal January 4, 11, 18, 25, 1996.

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File No. 95-7216
The Name of the Business:
Spinning Wheel Promotions, 2378 Wayne St., Martinez, CA 94553.
Is hereby registered by the following Owner:
Kevin L. McCarthy, 2378 Wayne St., Martinez, CA 94553.
This business is conducted by an Individual.
Statement was filed with County Clerk of Contra Costa County on December 8, 1995.
The Journal January 4, 11, 18, 25, 1996.

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File No. 95-7160
The Name of the Business:
CONRENA, 60 San Pablo Court, Moraga, CA 94556.
Is hereby registered by the following Owner:
Gary A. Borrell, 60 San Pablo Court, Moraga, CA 94556.
This business is conducted by an Individual.
Statement was filed with County Clerk of Contra Costa County on December 5, 1995.
The Journal January 4, 11, 18, 25, 1996.

T.S. No. GM-29141-C Loan No. 30-189631-2 NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE YOU ARE IN DEFAULT UNDER A DEED OF TRUST DATED 9/22/93. UNLESS YOU TAKE ACTION TO PROTECT YOUR PROPERTY, IT MAY BE SOLD AT A PUBLIC SALE. IF YOU NEED AN EXPLANATION OF THE NATURE OF THE PROCEEDING AGAINST YOU, YOU SHOULD CONTACT A LAWYER. A public auction sale to the highest bidder for cash, cashier's check drawn on a state or national bank, check drawn by a state or federal credit union, or a check drawn by a state or federal savings and loan association, or savings association, or savings bank specified in Section 5102 of the Financial Code and authorized to do business in this state will be held by the duly appointed trustee as shown below, of all right, title, and interest conveyed to and now held by the trustee in the hereinafter described property under and pursuant to a Deed of Trust described below. The sale will be made, but without covenant or warranty, expressed or implied, regarding title, possession, or encumbrances, to pay the remaining principal sum of the note(s) secured by the Deed of Trust, with interest and late charges thereon, as provided in the note(s), advances, under the terms of the Deed of Trust, interest thereon, fees, charges and expenses of the Trustee for the total amount (at the time of the initial publication of the Notice of Sale) reasonably estimated to be set forth below. The amount may be greater on the day of sale. TRUSTOR: ANNA M. GATEWOOD, A MARRIED WOMAN Duly Appointed Trustee: **EXECUTIVE TRUSTEE SERVICES, INC.** Recorded 9/30/93 as Instrument No. 93-271240 in Book 18999, page 571 of Official Records in the office of the Recorder of **CONTRA COSTA** County, California, Date of Sale: 1/24/96 at **10:00 AM** Place of Sale: **AT THE MAIN STREET ENTRANCE TO THE CITY HALL, 1666 N. MAIN STREET, WALNUT CREEK, CALIFORNIA** Amount of unpaid balance and other charges: **$106,308.58** Street Address or other common designation of real property: **525 S. 18TH Street RICHMOND, CALIFORNIA 94804 APN #: 544-281-017-1** The undersigned Trustee disclaims any liability for any incorrectness of the street address or other common designation, if any, shown above. If no street address or other common designation is shown, directions to the location of the property may be obtained by sending a written request to the beneficiary within 10 days of the date of first publication of this Notice of Sale. Date: **December 26, 1995** EXECUTIVE TRUSTEE SERVICES, INC. 15455 SAN FERNANDO MISSION BLVD. SUITE #208 MISSION HILLS, CA 91345 818-361-4488 ROSALIE SOLANO TRUSTEE SALE OFFICER **C238321** 1/4, 1/11, 1/18, 1996
The Journal January 4, 11, 18, 1995.

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File No. 95-7014
The Name of the Business:
Hair Perfection By Patti Sherrill, 4367 Concord Boulevard, Concord, CA 94521.
Is hereby registered by the following Owner:
Patricia B. Sherrill, 249 Wellington Ave., Concord, CA 94520.
This business is conducted by an Individual.
Statement was filed with County Clerk of Contra Costa County on November 28, 1995.
The Journal January 4, 11, 18, 25, 1996.

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File No. 95-7371
The Names of the Businesses:
1)PIASOFT 2)MEGASOFT, 2761 Sargent Ave., San Pablo, CA 94806.
Are hereby registered by the following Owner:
Piruz Vargha, 2761 Sargent Ave., San Pablo, CA 94806.
This business is conducted by an Individual.
Statement was filed with County Clerk of Contra Costa County on December 18, 1995.
The Journal January 4, 11, 18, 25, 1996.

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File No. 95-7231
The Name of the Business:
Carefree Pool & Spa Service, 3404 Morningside Dr., El Sobrante, CA 94803.
Is hereby registered by the following Owners:
Steve L. Roth, 3404 Morningside Dr., El Sobrante, CA 94803.
Diane L. Roth, 3404 Morningside Dr., El Sobrante, CA 94803.
This business is conducted by Individuals-Husband and Wife.
Statement was filed with County Clerk of Contra Costa County on December 8, 1995.
The Journal January 11, 18, 25, February 1, 1996.

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File No. 95-7217
The Name of the Business:
A & P Payroll Services, 1794 Douglas Terrace, Pleasant Hill, CA 94523.
Is hereby registered by the following Owner:
Joseph Fucito, 1794 Douglas Terrace, Pleasant Hill, CA 94523.
This business is conducted by an Individual.
Statement was filed with County Clerk of Contra Costa County on December 8, 1995.
The Journal January 11, 18, 25, February 1, 1996.

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File No. 95-7399
The Name of the Business:
Summit Intermediate School, 5523 Santa Cruz Ave., Richmond Annex, CA 94804.
Is hereby registered by the following Owners:
Margret Skaug, 45 Senior Ave., Berkeley, CA 94708.
Shirley Richardson, 2315 Durant Ave., #602, Berkeley, CA 94704.
This business is conducted by a General Partnership.
Statement was filed with County Clerk of Contra Costa County on December 19, 1995.
The Journal January 11, 18, 25, February 1, 1996.

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File No. 95-7396
The Name of the Business:
National Career Center, 1070 Concord Ave. #295, Concord, CA 94520.
Is hereby registered by the following Owner:
Dr. Larry Westerman, 786 Fletcher Ln #307, Hayward, CA 94544.
This business is conducted by an Individual.
Statement was filed with County Clerk of Contra Costa County on December 19, 1995.

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File No. 95-7367
The Name of the Business:
Maid For Pets, 191 Dakar Street, Pacheco, CA 94553.
Is hereby registered by the following Owner:
Judith I. Papas, 191 Dakar Street, Pacheco, CA 94553.
This business is conducted by an Individual.
Statement was filed with County Clerk of Contra Costa County on December 18, 1995.
The Journal January 11, 18, 25, February 1, 1996.

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File No. 95-7402
The Name of the Business:
Professional Lock & Safe, 5702 Marsh Dr., Suite H, Pacheco, CA 94553.
Is hereby registered by the following Owner:
Joel Vanadrighem, 1232 Raymond Dr., Pacheco, CA 94553.
This business is conducted by an Individual.
Statement was filed with County Clerk of Contra Costa County on December 19, 1995.
The Journal January 11, 18, 25, February 1, 1996.

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File No. 95-7200
The Name of the Business:
Hands On Management, 2173 Morello Ave., Pleasant Hill, CA 94523.
Is hereby registered by the following Owner:
Margaret Schreiber, 2173 Morello Ave., Pleasant Hill, CA 94523.
This business is conducted by an Individual.
Statement was filed with County Clerk of Contra Costa County on December 7, 1995.
The Journal January 11, 18, 25, February 1, 1996.

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File No. 95-7519
The Name of the Business:
Jencor, 1439 Parkhaven Drive, Pleasant Hill, CA 94523.
Is hereby registered by the following Owners:
Paul L. Smith, 1439 Parkhaven Drive, Pleasant Hill, CA 94523.
Susan M. Smith, 1439 Parkhaven Drive, Pleasant Hill, CA 94523.
This business is conducted by Individuals-Husband and Wife.
Statement was filed with County Clerk of Contra Costa County on December 27, 1995.
The Journal January 11, 18, 25, February 1, 1996.

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File No. 96-009
The Name of the Business:
Asun Trading Co., 324 2nd Ave. S., Pacheco, CA 94553.
Is hereby registered by the following Owner:
Zisan Fu, 324 2nd Ave. S., Pacheco, CA 94553.
This business is conducted by an Individual.
Statement was filed with County Clerk of Contra Costa County on January 2, 1996.
The Journal January 11, 18, 25, February 1, 1996.

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File No. 95-7375
The Name of the Business:
Leffie And Associates, 5328 Catanzaro Way, Antioch, CA 94509.
Is hereby registered by the following Owner:
Vendon McLeod, 5328 Catanzaro Way, Antioch, CA 94509.
This business is conducted by an Individual.
Statement was filed with County Clerk of Contra Costa County on December 18, 1995.
The Journal January 11, 18, 25, February 1, 1996.

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File No. 95-7349
The Name of the Business:
Cosmic Cuts, 4701-A Clayton Rd., Concord, CA 94521.
Is hereby registered by the following Owners:
Linda R. Sutherland, 115 Parkhaven Dr., Danville, CA 94506.
Patrick J. Sutherland, 115 Parkhaven Dr., Danville, CA 94506.
This business is conducted by Individuals-Husband and Wife.
Statement was filed with County Clerk of Contra Costa County on December 15, 1995.
The Journal January 11, 18, 25, February 1, 1996.

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File No. 95-7529
The Name of the Business:
P.M. Wirtz, 54 Cowper Ave., Kensington, Ca 94707-1045.
Is hereby registered by the following Owner:
Paul Moore Wirtz, 54 Cowper Ave., Kensington, CA 94707-1045.
This business is conducted by an Individual.
Statement was filed with County Clerk of Contra Costa County on December 28, 1995.
The Journal January 11, 18, 25, February 1, 1996.

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File No. 95-7188
The Name of the Business:
Independence In Living Skills, Unlimited, 163 Loralee Place, Pleasant Hill, CA 94523.
Is hereby registered by the following Owner:
Judith D. Wagner-Scott, 163 Loralee Place, Pleasant Hill, CA 94523.
This business is conducted by an Individual.
Statement was filed with County Clerk of Contra Costa County on December 7, 1995.
The Journal January 11, 18, 25, February 1, 1996.

### NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE

T.S.No.L-5661
APN 059-2292-020
YOU ARE IN DEFAULT UNDER A DEED OF TRUST DATED February 23, 1994. UNLESS YOU TAKE ACTION TO PROTECT YOUR PROPERTY, IT MAY BE SOLD AT A PUBLIC SALE. IF YOU NEED AN EXPLANATION OF THE NATURE OF THE PROCEEDINGS AGAINST YOU, YOU SHOULD CONTACT A LAWYER. On **February 9, 1996 at 1:00 p.m.**, ROBERT E. WEISS INCORPORATED as the duly appointed Trustee under and pursuant to Deed of Trust, recorded on March 18, 1994 as **Document No. 94105063** of Official Records in the Office of the Recorder of Alameda County, California, executed by: LURETHA HARVEY, A WIDOW AS SURVIVING JOINT TENANT, as Trustor FIRST ALLINACE MORTGAGE COMPANY, as Beneficiary WILL SELL AT PUBLIC AUCTION TO THE HIGHEST BIDDER FOR CASH (payable at time of sale in lawful money of

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evening of Dec. 23, the 1200 block of Everett between Dec. 15 and 17, and the 7200 block of Plank Court between Dec. 18 and 23.

• Six cases of domestic violence were reported, along with seven other domestic incidents.

• Arrested for driving under the influence were: a Richmond man at Waldo and San Pablo, Dec. 24 at 2:20 a.m.; an Oakland man at Stockton and San Pablo, Dec. 24 at 11:36 p.m.; an El Sobrante man at Carlson and San Pablo, Dec. 25 at 1:42 a.m.; a Richmond man at Moeser and San Pablo, Dec. 28 at 12:04 a.m.; a Richmond man at Potrero and San Pablo, Dec. 28 at 1:45 a.m.;

a Richmond woman at Potrero and Elm Street, Dec. 23 at 12:24 a.m., an El Cerrito man at Eastshore and Potrero, Dec. 23 at 1:10 a.m.; an El Cerrito man at San Pablo and Eureka at 9:37 p.m. Dec. 22; and a Benicia woman at San Pablo and Hill Street, Dec. 25 at 3:20 a.m.

• A San Pablo woman and a Richmond man were arrested for possession of methamphetamines at San Pablo and Wall D a.m.

• An El Sobrante arrested for possessio trolled substance bet and Wenk at 1:44 a.m.

• Two Richmond arrested for embezzlem Emporium at midnigh

• Two letters were mailbox in the 2200 bl Vista Drive on or abo Outgoing mail was a stolen in the 300 block Avenue at 11:10 a.m. older juvenile male when confronted by th

• Three cellular p taken from a display Radio Shack on the Dec. 19.

• Change was stolen machineat the Travelo

• An unattended p ported stolen from th Dec. 29 at 2:46 p.m.

• A purse was taken ping cart at an El Cerri on the evening of Dec.

• A wallet was taken at the Silver Dollar o

• Cash was taken fro a store counter in the 9 San Pablo Dec. 29 at

• An El Cerrito m was arrested for drawi ink on the walls at Ca

• In acts of vehicle panel was damaged block of Richmond b 15 and 17 and a win broken in the 1700 bloc Street during the ea hours Dec. 20.

Moving vehicles we dalized. One car was victim was driving on of the I-80 overpass a p.m. Jan. 1; a second broken while the car driven on Richmond S Fairmount at 5:30 p.m.

## Public Notices

the United States, by cash, a cashier's check drawn by a state or national bank, a association, savings association, or savings bank specified in section 5102 of the Financial Code and authorized to do business in this state). At: **the front entrance to the County Courthouse, 1225 Fallon Street, Oakland, CA**, all right, title and interest conveyed to and now held by it under said Deed of Trust in the property situated in said County, California describing the land therein: **Lot 10 and the Northerly 12 Feet, 6 inches, rear measurement, of Lot 11, in Block 1, Keystone Tract, filed October 3, 1906, in Book 21, Page 62, of Maps, in the Office of the County Recorder of Alameda County.** The property heretofore described is being sold "as is". The street address and other common designation, if any, of the real property described above is purported to be: 1604 CHESTNUT STREET, BERKELEY, CA 94702-1430. The undersigned Trustee disclaims any liability for any incorrectness of the street address and other common designation, if any, shown herein. Said sale will be made, but without covenant or warranty, expressed or implied, regarding title, possession, or encumbrances, to pay the remaining principal sum of the note(s) secured by said Deed of Trust, with interest thereon, as provided in said notes(s), advances, if any, under the terms of the Deed of Trust, estimated fees, charges and expenses of the Trustee and of the trusts created by said Deed of Trust, to-wit: **$105,494.43 Estimated**. Accrued interest and additional advances, if any, will increase this figure prior to sale. The beneficiary under said Deed of Trust heretofore executed and delivered to the undersigned a written Declaration of Default and Demand for Sale, and a written Notice of Default and Election to Sell. The undersigned caused said Notice of Default and Election to Sell to recorded in the county where the real property is located and more than three months have elapsed since such recordation. Dated: January 4, 1996. ROBERT E. WEISS INCORPORATED as TRUSTEE, 920 VILLAGE OAKS DRIVE, P.O. BOX 3269, COVINA, CA 91722. (818)967-4302. By: Cris A. Klingerman.
The Berkeley Voice January 11, 18, 25, 1996.

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File No. 95-7317
The Name of the Business:
Hilltop Construction, 310 29th St., Richmond, CA 94804.
Is hereby registered by the following Owner:
Lee Lofton, 484 Deer Creek Dr., Vacaville, CA 95687.
This business is conducted by an Individual.
Statement was filed with County Clerk of Contra Costa County on December 14, 1995.
The Journal January 11, 18, 25, February 1, 1996.

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File No. 96-77
The Name of the Business:
Family Travel, 837 Carpetta Circle, Pittsburg, CA 94565.
Is hereby registered by the following Owner:
Ariel M. Arcino, 837 Carpetta Circle, Pittsburg, CA 94565.
This business is conducted by an Individual.
Statement was filed with County Clerk of Contra Costa County on January 3, 1996.
The Journal January 11, 18, 25, February 1, 1996.

STATEMENT OF ABANDONMENT OF USE OF FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME
File No. 95-2595
The following persons have abandoned the use of the fictitious business name Medical Researcj Information at 3597 Cardinal Drive, Concord, Ca 94520.
The fictitious business name referred to above was filed in the County of Alameda on April 28, 1995.
Mary Mihaila, 3597 Cardinal Dr., Concord, CA 94520.
Dr. John P. Toth, 2299 Bacon St., Suite 10, Concord, CA 94520.
Shaun Mihaila, 3597 Cardinal Dr., Concord, Ca 94520.
Dr. John R. Toth, 2299 Bacon St., Suite 11, Concord, CA 94520.
Signed: Mary Mihaila.
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Contra Costa County on December 29, 1995.
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# Sierra

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bers.

"Totally false," said reference to the second

Arkin has said the law much about the cardroo the "attempted misuse of initiative process on the Albany City Council and

He said Measure F se cedent because no en impact report was done election. He drew the a developer coming into a to dump toxic waste and skirt environmental revi ing the project a ballot m

City officials have s ronmental review will be the cardroom is construct contends that because paying for the review it done adequately.

Members of the Exec mittee for the most part comment on the letter, cit ing discussion in Februar

Albany City Attorn Zweben, who has been lawsuit on behalf of Alb was filed, said the effect Club entering a brief on CRG would be "none terms of the eventual re the lawsuit.

He said the Sierra Clu on the issue was "of more to the political efforts of nents," than to any legal

City Council membe Berkeley and El Cerrito out against the cardroo among other thing, traffi and a lack of consultation boring cities on Albany's

The Sierra Club's will be discussed at the ne tive Committee meeting a on Feb. 12 at the Sierra C store. 6014 College Aven land.

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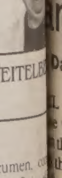
Margrit Schurman, president and founder of Papyrus, is truly a hands on executive who is involved in all aspects of the business from choosing individual cards and papers and working closely with franchisees, to visiting all stores periodically. It is her personal touch which has made Papyrus so unique in a highly competitive atmosphere.

A former teacher of art history at St. Mary's College in Moraga with an M.A. in Art History from U.C. Berkeley, Margrit has a well trained eye for form and design as well as an extensive background in the fine paper business. Her husband, Marcel, was an importer of original and unique paper products from around the world. It was Margrit's idea to display those special wares which led to her opening her first retail store in Walnut Square, Berkeley, in 1973.

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